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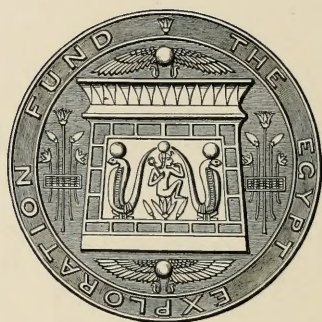
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PREFACE

IN accordance with the chronological arrangement adopted by us in the publication of the Oxyrhynchus Papyri, the present volume is devoted to second century texts, with the exception of the theological and some of the classical papyri. The selection of documents here published in full or described probably represents less than half the second century material discovered in 1897, but it is our intention in future volumes to deal with successive centuries up to the sixth, and then to return to the older papyri temporarily passed over. In the spring of this year excavations at Oxyrhynchus were resumed, and another large find of papyri was made, including a certain number of the late Ptolemaic period. These, together with a selection of the more important literary texts from the new find, will be published in Part IV, which we hope to issue within a year.

In proportion to the space in the present volume occupied by the literary fragments our debt is the greater to Professor Blass, to whom is due the identification of several of the classical pieces, and to a large extent their reconstruction, together with many suggestions in the commentary. Mr. J. G. Smyly has rendered us much assistance, especially in connexion with questions of ancient mathematics; the help which we have received on special points from other scholars is acknowledged in connexion with the individual papyri.

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NOTE ON THE METHOD OF PUBLICATION AND LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

IN the following pages the same general method is followed as in preceding volumes. Of the new literary texts a few are printed in a dual form, a reconstruction in modern style being appended to a literal transcript. In most other cases, as well as in the fragments of extant authors, the originals are reproduced except for division of words, addition of capital initials to proper names, expansion of abbreviations, and supplements, so far as possible, of lacunae. In 413, however, accentuation and punctuation have been introduced for the sake of greater clearness, and this system has also been adopted with the majority of the literary fragments in the 'miscellaneous' section (IV). Additions or corrections by the same hand as the body of the text are in small thin type, those by a different hand in thick type. Non-literary texts are given in modern style only. Abbreviations and symbols are resolved, the latter being all of the common kind. Additions and corrections are usually incorporated in the text and their occurrence is recorded in the critical notes; in the few instances where it was desirable to reproduce alterations in the original, a later hand is distinguished, as in the literary texts, by thick type. Faults of orthography, &c., are corrected in the critical notes wherever any difficulty could arise. Iota adscript is printed when so written, otherwise iota subscript is used. Square brackets [] indicate a lacuna, round brackets () the resolution of a symbol or abbreviation, angular brackets < > a mistaken omission in the original; double square brackets [[]] mean that the letters within them have been deleted in the original, braces { }, that the letters so enclosed, though actually written, should be omitted. Dots placed within brackets represent the approximate number of letters lost or deleted. Dots outside brackets indicate mutilated or otherwise illegible letters. Letters with dots underneath them are to be considered doubtful. Heavy Arabic numerals refer to the texts of the Oxyrhynchus papyri published in this volume and in Parts I-II; ordinary numerals to lines; small Roman numerals to columns.

The abbreviations used in referring to papyrological publications are practically the same as those adopted by Wilcken in *Archiv* I. i. pp. 25-28, viz.:—

P. Amh. I and II = The Amherst Papyri (Greek), Vols. I and II, by B. P. Grenfell and A. S. Hunt.

Archiv = Archiv für Papyrusforschung.

B. G. U. = Aeg. Urkunden aus den Königl. Museen zu Berlin, Griech. Urkunden.

P. Brit. Mus. I and II = Catalogue of Greek Papyri in the British Museum, Vols. I and II, by F. G. Kenyon.

C. P. R. = Corpus Papyrorum Raineri, Vol. I, by C. Wessely.

P. Cairo = Greek Papyri in the Cairo Museum, Catalogue by B. P. Grenfell and A. S. Hunt.

P. Fay. Towns = Fayûm Towns and their Papyri, by B. P. Grenfell, A. S. Hunt, and D. G. Hogarth.

P. Gen. = Les Papyrus de Genève, by J. Nicole.

P. Grenf. I and II = Greek Papyri, Series I, by B. P. Grenfell; Series II, by B. P. Grenfell and A. S. Hunt.

P. Oxy. I and II = The Oxyrhynchus Papyri, Parts I and II, by B. P. Grenfell and A. S. Hunt.

Rev. Laws = Revenue Laws of Ptolemy Philadelphus, by B. P. Grenfell, with Introduction by the Rev. J. P. Mahaffy.

P. Tebt. I = The Tebtunis Papyri, Part I, by B. P. Grenfell, A. S. Hunt, and J. G. Smyly.

Wilcken, *Ost.* = Griechische Ostraka, by U. Wilcken.

I. THEOLOGICAL FRAGMENTS

401. ST. MATTHEW'S GOSPEL, I-II.

7 × 9·5 cm.

THESE few verses from the end of the first and the beginning of the second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew are contained on part of a leaf from a vellum book. Unless the text was in double columns, which would make the book a very unlikely shape, the leaves were unusually small in size; for though the columns are incomplete at both top and bottom only two or three lines are missing between the last line of the *verso* and the first of the *recto*. The handwriting, which is in well-formed slightly sloping uncials of medium size, may be assigned to the fifth or sixth century. It is somewhat faded, and a second hand has here and there rewritten letters and lectional signs with a darker ink, besides correcting mistakes made by the original scribe, who was not very careful. To judge from this fragment, the text followed by the MS. was a good one, having affinities with the Codex Sinaiticus. We give a collation with the text of Westcott and Hort and with the Textus Receptus.

Verso.

[απο τ]ων [αμ]αρ[τιων αυ
των τουτο δε ολον [γεγονεν
ινα πληρωθη το ρη[θεν υ
πο κυ δια του προφητου λε
5 γοντος ιδου η [θ] παρθενος
εν γαστρι εξει και τεξετε
υν και καλεσουσι το ονο

Recto.

[νωσκειν] αυ[την εως ου ε
15 [τεκεν υ]ν και εκαλεσε[ν το
[ονο]μα αυτου Ιν του δε
Ιν γεννηθεντος εν Βη
θλεεμ της Ιουδαίας εν η
μεραις Ηρωδου του βασι
20 λεως ιδου μαγοι απο ανα

μα αυτου Εμμανουηλ· ὁ	τολων παρεγενοντο εις
[εσ]τιν μεθερμηνευμε	Ἱεροσολυμα λεγοντε[^s] που
10 [νον] μεθ ημων ο θς εγερ	εστιν ο τε[^s]χθεις βα[σι]λευς
[θεις δε] Ἰ[ω]σηφ απο του υ̅π	των Ἰουδαιων εἰ[δο]μεν
[νου εποιη]σεν ως προσ	25 γαρ αυτου το[ν] αστερα εν
[εταξεν αυτ]ω ο αγγελ[ος]	[τ]η ανατο[λη]

1. The supplement at the end of the line hardly fills the available space.
 5. Above and below the superfluous *θ* are short horizontal strokes by the second hand.
 6. *τεξετε* is for *τεξεται*; the final *ε* has been partially rewritten by the later hand, but was also apparently the original reading.
 7. *καλεσουσι*: *καλέσουσιν* W-H., with most MSS.
 10. *εγερ[θεις]*: so *NBCZ*, W-H.; *διεγερθεις* C³DEKLM, &c., T-R.
 11. The spacing suits *δε* Ἰ[ω]σηφ (*NKZΓΔ*, &c.) better than *δε ο* Ἰ[ω]σηφ (BCDELM, &c., T-R.; [δ] W-H.).
 14-5. The vestiges are indecisive between *υιον* (NBZ, W-H.) and *τον υιον αυτης του πρωτοτοκον* (CDEKLM, T-R.), since with either reading the letters *αν* would come where they appear to do in l. 14, and there is not enough at the beginning of l. 15 to show whether the word to which *ν* belongs was abbreviated or not.
 15. Or perhaps *εκαλεσε* [το, which would suit the length of the line rather better.
 22. The final *ς* of *λεγοντες* seems to have been accidentally omitted by the original scribe.
 23. The correction of *τεχθεις* is by the second hand.

402. FIRST EPISTLE OF ST. JOHN, IV.

8 × 5.2 cm.

A fragment of a leaf from a papyrus book, written in a clear semi-uncial hand towards the end of the fourth or in the fifth century, and containing part of 1 John iv. 11-7. The usual contractions found in biblical MSS. occur, and a horizontal stroke at the end of lines is used apparently to indicate abbreviations. The text is curiously corrupt, considering its early date, and bears evidence of extremely careless copying.

Recto.

ο θς ταπρισεν η[μας και ημεις
οφιλομεν αλλη[λους αγαπαν

Verso.

απεσταλκεν] το[ν υιον σωτη
ρα του κοσμου] [ος εαν ομολο

οὐδεις ποποτε τηθεαται	γηση οτι Ιη]ς εστιν ο [υ]ς του [
τονειν εαν αγαπ[ω]μεν αλλη	θυ ο θς εν] αυτω μενει και
5 λους ο θς ε(ν) ημιν [μενει και η α	5 ο θς εν αυ]τω εστιν και ημεις
[γαπη] αυτου τετελειωμενη	εγνωκαμε]ν και πεπιστευκα
.	μεν την] αγαπην ην εχι ο χθς
.	εν ημιν ο θ]ς α[γ]απη εστιν κα-
.	ο μενων ε]ν τη αγαπη εν τω
.	10 θω μενει και ο θ]ς εν αυτω [μ]ε
.	εν τουτω τετ]ελ[ει]ωται
.	.

Recto. 1. ταπισεν is corrupt for ηγαπησεν.

3-4. θεὸν οὐδείς πώποτε τεθέσται is the order of the MSS., but the supplement at the end of l. 2 is already long enough, and *τονειν* is an easy corruption of *τον θν*.

Verso. 4-5. Instead of *καὶ αὐτὸς ἐν τῷ θεῷ*, the reading of the MSS., the papyrus seems to have *καὶ ὁ θεὸς ἐν αὐτῷ ἐστιν*, i. e. a repetition of the preceding words with the substitution of *ἐστιν* for *μένει*. *εἰς* of *ἡμεις* is written above the line, owing to want of space.

7. The scribe seems to have mixed up the contractions $\bar{\chi}\bar{s}$ and $\bar{\theta}s$. *θεός* is the reading of the MSS.

8. *κα*⁻ stands for *καί*.

10. After *ἐν αὐτῷ* **N** and **B** have *μένει* which is omitted by **A**, the other MSS. being divided. It is not certain that a letter is lost after *αὐτω*, but since *εν* is required to fill up the lacuna in l. 11, and the horizontal stroke is used by this scribe merely as a sign of abbreviation (cf. l. 8), *[μ]ε(ν)ει* is more probable than *ε*⁻, i. e. *ἐν*.

403. APOCALYPSE OF BARUCH, XII-XIV.

14 X 11 cm.

PLATE I (*recto*).

Of the numerous theological works of an Apocalyptic character composed shortly before or after the beginning of the Christian era, one of the most interesting is the *Apocalypse of Baruch*, which like many other apocryphal works is preserved only in a translation from the Greek. To the recovery of a considerable fragment of the Greek original of the *Ascension of Isaiah* (P. Amh. I. 1), previously known in its entirety only from the Ethiopic version, now succeeds a small fragment of the *Apocalypse of Baruch* in the language from which the extant Syriac translation is derived, though whether the Greek text is itself derived from Hebrew is disputed. Prof. Charles, who has published the latest and fullest edition of that Apocalypse, is strongly in favour of a Hebrew original,

but his reasons are not very convincing, and the present fragment illustrates the precarious character of arguments based on retranlations into a supposed original through a version which is itself not extant.

The papyrus is part of a leaf from a book, written in brown ink in a large slightly sloping uncial hand of a moderately early Byzantine type, probably not later than the fifth century, and perhaps as early as the end of the fourth. The high point is frequently used, and there is a tendency to increase the size of the initial letters of lines. The text, so far as can be judged from the very imperfect condition of the lines preserved, is not very good; one certain error (*μαρτυρήσαντες* for *ἀμαρτήσαντες* in l. 28) of the first hand has been corrected by another person, and *μεσημβρία* is mis-spelt *μεσεμβρία* in l. 4. The curious tendency to omit the definite article (cf. ll. 16 and 24), which produces a certain harshness, is, however, not likely to be due to the scribe. But in spite of its smallness the fragment is of much interest as affording for the first time a direct opportunity of testing the fidelity of the Syriac translation. The impression created by a comparison of the two versions is that the Syriac translator was much less accurate than, for instance, the Ethiopic translator of the *Ascension of Isaiah*. In one passage (ll. 6-8) he has expanded the three verbs of the Greek into six by adding a synonym in each case. In another he seems to have misapprehended the meaning of the Greek, and to have introduced an idea which is quite inappropriate to the context (cf. note on ll. 25-7).

The references at the side of the text and the translation of the Syriac version are taken from the edition of Prof. Charles, whom we have to thank for several suggestions in the reconstruction of the fragment. The first ten lines of the *verso* are the conclusion of a prophecy of Baruch against Babylon (i.e. Rome). The *recto* is part of a prophecy against the Gentiles by 'a voice from the height,' and is a passage which has caused commentators much difficulty, but which the Greek helps to explain.

Verso.

.		
] . .	
[17 letters	αλλα τ[ουτο οιο[ν]	xii. 1
	[οιομαι ερω και λαλη[σω προς σε την	
	[γην την ευοδουσαν ο]ν παντοτε μεσεμ	2
5	[βρια αποκαιει ουδ]ε το διηνεκες αι ακτι	
	[νες του ηλιου λα]μπουσιν και συ μη προσ	3

- [δοκα χαιρησιν] μηδε επ[ι] πολυ καταδικα
 [ζε αληθως γαρ εν] καιρω εξϋπνισθησεται 4
 [προς σε η οργη η νυν υπο τ]ης μακροθυμ[ι]
 10 [ας ως χαλινω κατεχεται και] ειπων ταυτα 5
 [ενηστευσα ημε]ρας ζ̄ και εγενετο με xiii. i
 [τα ταυτα οτι εγω] Βαρουχ ἴστηκειν̄ επι το
 [ορος Σιων και ιδου φων]η εξηλθεν εξ ῡ
 [ψους και ειπε μοι ανα]στα επι τους πο- 2
 15 [δας σου Βαρουχ και ακουε] τον λογον ἴσχυ
 [ρου θεου

Recto.

- . [.
 οπη[11
 τα εθνη κα[14 letters καταπα
 20 τησαντες την [γην και καταχρησασμενοι
 τοις εν αυτη κτισμ[ασι υμεις γαρ ευερ 12
 γετουμενοι αιει ηχα[ριστειτε αιει
 και απεκριθην και ειπο[ν ιδου απεδει xiv. i
 ξας μοι καιρων ταξεις̄ κ[αι το μελλον
 25 [εσ]εσθαῑ και ειπ[ε]ς μ[οι]· [οτι υπ εθνων
 υπενεχθησ[ε]ται η υπο σου λεχθεισα
 πραξις και νυν [οιδα οτι πολλοι 2
 εισιν οι μαρτϋρησαν[τες και
 εζησαν̄ και επορευθη[σαν εκ κοσμου
 30 ολιγα δε περι[εσται εθνη εν εκεινοις
 τοις καιροις̄ ο[υ]ς ους ειπες
 λογους̄ και τι π[λεον εν τουτω η τινα χει-
 ρονα τ[ο]υτ[ων

2-5. 'But I will say this as I think, and speak against thee, the land which is prospering. Not always does the noonday burn, nor do the rays of the sun constantly

give light.' The Syriac here agrees verbally with the Greek, for the equivalent of το δυνεκής which is translated as an adjective by Prof. Charles, who supplies 'always' with the verb, is, as the Greek shows, to be constructed adverbially.

6-8. 'And do not thou expect to rejoice, nor condemn greatly.' The Syriac has 'Do not conclude or expect that thou wilt always be prosperous and rejoicing, and be not greatly uplifted and do not oppress' (the last verb emended by Prof. Charles to 'be not boastful'), thus duplicating all the three verbs of the Greek, but no doubt wrongly. καταδικάζειν is equally possible in ll. 7-8.

8-10. 'For assuredly in its season the wrath will be awakened against thee which now is restrained by long-suffering as it were by a rein.' This agrees with the Syriac. Prof. Charles translates 'which now in long-suffering . . .'; but the traces before μακροθυμίας are incompatible with εν, the second letter being either σ or ε.

10-6. 'And having said these things I fasted seven days. And it came to pass after this that I, Baruch, was standing upon Mount Zion, and lo! a voice came forth from the height and said to me "Stand upon thy feet, Baruch, and hear the word of the mighty God."' Here too the Syriac shows no variation. For the omission of the definite article before ισχυρον cf. l. 24 καιρων ταῖς.

18. σπῆ: the first letter may be σ, and the second ν but not τ. The Syriac version of vv. 10-1 has 'They were therefore chastened then that they might receive mercy. But now, ye peoples and nations, ye are debtors because all this time ye have trodden down the earth, and used the creation unrighteously.'

21-2. 'For ye were always being benefited but were always ungrateful.' The Syriac has 'For I have always benefited you and ye have always denied the beneficence,' which differs by the introduction of the first person, and the use of an active instead of a passive verb in the first half of the sentence. Prof. Charles notes that the order of the words in the Syriac is unusual, and a corruption may be suspected.

23-5. 'And I answered and said "Behold, thou hast shown me the methods of the times and that which will be."' The Syriac differs slightly by having a singular word for ταῖς and by inserting 'after these things' after 'will be.'

25-7. It is clear that the Greek and Syriac here diverged from each other. The Syriac has 'and thou hast said unto me that the retribution which was spoken of by thee will be of advantage to the nations.' As Prof. Charles acutely remarks, the idea of a remedial chastisement of the Gentiles seems out of place, and something is probably wrong with the Syriac text. The verb found in the Greek, ὑπερχήσεται, does not suggest anything like 'be of advantage to,' and taken in conjunction with πᾶσις the meaning 'endured' is in every way more satisfactory. Of the two doubtful letters at the beginning of l. 26 the second could be π, η, or ι, but the first, if not ν, can only be ρ, and ρη or ροι is very intractable, while a compound of φέρω is required. The phrase 'will be of advantage to,' to which Prof. Charles objected, may therefore be regarded as an error of the Syriac translator. In some other respects Prof. Charles seems to us to have slightly exaggerated the inconsistencies in chapters x-xiv; cf. p. 24 of his edition. καιρων ταῖς does not seem an impossible description of the prophecy in ch. xiii, and if 'the retribution spoken of by thee' is first mentioned by the cities, not by God, nevertheless it occurs in a speech put by the 'voice from the height' into the mouth of the 'prosperous cities,' of whom the abrupt mention (cf. *ibid.* p. 22) is not so very surprising after a section devoted to Babylon and the 'land which is prospering.'

27-32. The Syriac has 'And now I know that those who have sinned are many and they have lived in prosperity and departed from the world, but that few nations will be left in those times to whom those words shall be said which thou didst say.' The Greek does not materially differ. In l. 27 there is room for a word not expressed

in the Syriac, but *μεν* (corresponding to *ολγα δε* in l. 30) would perhaps be sufficient. A phrase meaning 'in prosperity' is required at the end of l. 28; but it is difficult to find a word short enough if *οι* is the article, so it should perhaps be regarded as the relative, when there will be no need for *και*. The erroneous reading of the first hand *μαρτυρησαντες* is corrected to *αμαρτησαντες* by a different writer who used much blacker ink. In l. 31 *λεχθησονται* is rather too long for the lacuna. Perhaps *επει τις*.

32-3. The Syriac has 'For what advantage is there in this or what (evil) worse than what we have seen befall us are we to expect to see?'

404. SHEPHERD OF HERMAS.

Fr. (c) 7.8 × 5.3 cm.

PLATE IV (Fr. (c) *recto*).

Three fragments of a leaf from a papyrus book, inscribed on both sides in a sloping uncial hand of the late third or fourth century, the surface of the *verso* being much damaged. No line is complete, and indeed very few complete words are preserved, so that all the greater credit is due to Mr. V. Bartlet for recognizing the scraps as belonging to the lost Greek ending of the Shepherd of Hermas (*Simil.* x. 3. 3-4. 3). They thus form a useful supplement to P. Amh. 190, Fr. (h) *verso*, another papyrus fragment of the missing Greek portion of the same work, and demonstrate with equal clearness that Simonides' version of the last leaf of the Athos codex was a forgery; cf. P. Amh. 190 introd.

The text of the present papyrus seems to have differed in many points of detail from those which were the basis of the extant translations of the last chapters of the *Similitudines*, and only a few lines on the *recto* can be restored with any approach to certainty, while the *verso* is for the most part illegible. Fragments (a) and (b) all but join each other; but there seems to be a narrow lacuna between the bottom of Fr. (b) and the top of Fr. (c), causing the loss of a whole line on the *recto*. In Fr. (c) the ends of ll. 18-22 are preserved, and since these are by no means even the number of letters lost at the ends of ll. 11-17 may vary from 0-3. We have reconstructed ll. 15-21 on the hypothesis that about 11 letters are lost at the beginnings. From the lines of breakage in Frs. (a) and (b) it is probable that the lacunae at the end of ll. 4-8 are of the same size as those in ll. 11-17, and that the lacunae at the beginning of ll. 2-6 correspond to those at the beginnings of ll. 15-22.

We are indebted to Mr. V. Bartlet for several suggestions in the reconstruction of the fragments.

Recto.

Verso.

Fragments (a) and (b).

..... εν κ]ω εαν [μεν ουν	[. . . .]ν[. .]μδ[
[καθαρον τον οικον σου εξυρωσι	[. . .] . [.]ι . [.]ν[
[μετα σου παρα]μενουσι[ν εαν δε	25 [.]λ[.] [
[.]αμβαρυντ[	[.]τωδ[.] . . . αλ[
5 [.] αποχ]ωρησουσιν . [.] .	[.]ν . εσ[.] . α . [
[.] . . . αι γαρ πα]ρθεν[οι] αυτ[αι	[.]φρ . [
[14 letters α]γαπωσιν τ[.] .	[.] . . [
[10 „ λεγω αυτω] ελπ[ι]ζω [κε	30 [.] . [
9 [19 „]τα . [.] . .	[.] . . [.]ν[

1 line lost.

Fragment (c).

11 [14 letters]τας εις τ[.] .	[.] . . π . φ[
[„]σαι ωσπε]ρ δε	[.] . . [.]ν . [
[ουτος ω παρεδωκ]ας με ου [μεμ	35 [.] . τιν [
[φεται με ουδε α]νται μεμψ[ον	[.] . τη . ις . . [
15 [ται με λεγει τ]ω ποιμενι οιδ[α	[.] . φ . ανγειν[
[οτι δουλος το]ν θυ θελει ζη[ν	. . [.]σενα . σμ[
[και τηρησει τα]ς εντολας τ[α]ν[τας	λ[.] α[
[και τας παρθε]νους εν καθαροτη	40 ως μ[η] δυναμ[ε]νοι
[τι καταστησει τ]αυτα ει[π]ων τω	ενοχοι γειν[ον]ται τουτου του
20 [ποιμενι παλι]ν παρεδ[ω]κεν με	α[μ]ατος ποι[ει]τε ουν
[και τας παρθε]νους καλεσας	
[.] λεγει αυταις	

1-22. The extant versions of this passage (*Simil.* x. 3. 2-5) are as follows: (1) Versio Vulgata: . . . et omnes habentes gratiam apud dominum. igitur si habuerint domum tuam puram, tecum permanebunt; sin autem pusillum aliquid iniquitationis acciderit, protinus a domo tua recedent. hae enim virgines nullam omnino diligunt iniquitationem. dico ei: Spero me, domine, placitum eis, ita ut in domo mea libenter habitent semper. et sicut hic, cui me tradidisti, nihil de me queritur, ita neque illas querentur. ait ad pastorem illum: Video, inquit, servum dei velle vivere et custoditurum haec mandata, et virgines has habitatione munda conlocaturum. haec cum dixisset, iterum pastori illi me tradidit, et vocavit eas virgines et dixit ad eas . . .

(2) Codex Palatinus: . . . *et cunctam habentes gratiam apud dominum. si ergo habuerit domum tuam puram, tecum permanebunt; sin autem in aliquo spurca fuerit domus tua, protinus recedunt a domo tua. hae enim virgines spurcitiā non amant. et ego dixi: Domine, spero me placitū eis ita [ut] in domo mea libenter et semper habitent. et sicut hic, cui me tradidisti, nihil de me queritur, ita neque illae virgines aliquid de me queruntur. deinde ait ad illum pastorem: Scio hunc mandata custodire, et virgines has in habitationem mundam conlocaturum. haec cum dixisset, rursus eidem pastori me tradidit, et virgines illas vocavit dixitque ad illas . . .*

(3) Versio Aethiopica Latine: . . . *et habent gratiam apud dominum. et simul atque invenerint puram domum tuam, permanebunt apud te; si autem paululum immunda fuerit aliqua re, protinus derelinquent domum tuam. nam omnino non desiderant impuritatem illae virgines. et dixi ei: Confido, domine, me placitū eis ut laetantes habitent in domo mea semper; sicut ille cui me tradidisti nihil habet quo increpet me, sic illae nihil habebunt quo increpent me. et dixit pastori: Scio vitam velle servum domini, et servaturum esse haec mandata, et virginibus placitum in puritate. et postquam rursus tradidit me, virgines vocavit et dixit eis . . .*

4. The word in this line ought to correspond to *pusillum* (ελαχιστον τι), *iniquationis* (ρυπαρον), or *acciderit* (γενηται or συμβη), but the vestiges are very intractable. Those of the third letter suit a β better than anything else, but unfortunately no β occurs elsewhere in the papyrus. The fifth letter is very uncertain; λ is possible, but not ν. The last letter of the line is represented only by the bottom of a vertical stroke and may be ι. Neither ρυπαρον, μαρον, μικρον, συμβη nor λαμβανον are admissible.

5. Possibly αποχ[ωρη]σουσιν α[π]ο [σου].

7-8. Perhaps πανταπασιν ουκ α[γα]πωσιν τ[ην] ρυπαροτητα, but the substantive in l. 8 no doubt corresponded to the adjective in l. 4 which seems not to have been ρυπαρός.

11. Perhaps ταυ[τα]ς εις τ[ον] ακωνα κατοικη[σαι].

15. οιδ[α]: the δ has been corrected from ι (?). The papyrus thus agrees with the Codex Palatinus and Ethiopic version (*scio*) against the Vulgate (*video*).

18. εν καθαροτη[τι]: so the Ethiopic in *puritate*; the Latin versions have *habitatione munda* or *in habitationem mundam*.

22. The word or words lost at the beginning of this line have nothing corresponding to them in the versions.

40-2. The corresponding passages of the versions (*Simil.* x. 4. 3) are as follows:—

(1) Versio Vulgata: *qui novit igitur calamitatem huiusmodi hominis et non eripit eum, magnum peccatum admittit et reus fit sanguinis eius. facile igitur, &c.* (2) Codex Palatinus: [*qui novit igitur*] *angustiam eius et non redimit eum magnum peccatum admittit et fit reus sanguinis eius.* (3) Versio Aethiopica Latine: *qui autem novit adflictionem eius qui ita se habet nec salvat eum, magnum peccatum admittit et fit occisor eius.* The papyrus differs from these considerably; not only is the plural (ενοχοι) found in place of the singular (*reus*), but the remains of l. 40 do not in the least support anything like *magnum peccatum admittit*. Apparently the papyrus omitted that phrase and in its stead had a participial phrase depending upon the preceding words which is not represented in the translations. γ of γενη[ονται] has been corrected, probably from β or δ.

405-406. THEOLOGICAL FRAGMENTS.

PLATE I (405 and 406 *verso*).

We here group together fragments of two different theological works, which we have not been able to identify, both containing quotations from the New Testament.

405 consists of seven fragments written in a small neat uncial hand, which is not later than the first half of the third century, and might be as old as the latter part of the second. The ordinary contractions $\theta\varsigma$, $\chi\varsigma$, $\eta\varsigma$ occur; and it is clear that the use of these goes back far into the second century. Besides its early date (it is probably the oldest Christian fragment yet published), 405 is interesting on account of a quotation from St. Matthew iii. 16-7 describing the Baptism, which is indicated by wedge-shaped signs in the margin similar to those employed for filling up short lines, e. g. in Fr. (a) ll. 9 and 13.

406 is part of a leaf from a papyrus book and contains the quotation from Isaiah vi. 10 also found in Matthew xiii. 15 and Acts xxviii. 27. The citation appears here in its New Testament form, omitting the $\alpha\upsilon\tau\omega\upsilon$ after $\omega\varsigma\iota\nu$ found in the LXX version. The large and upright uncial hand is comparable with that of 25 and 224 and is probably to be assigned to the third century. Besides the ordinary contractions we have $\epsilon\sigma\tau\rho\nu\varsigma$ for $\epsilon\sigma\tau\alpha\nu\rho\omega\mu\epsilon\nu\varsigma$ in l. 21.

405.

Fr. (a) 8.3 x 4.8 cm.

PLATE I.

(a)

(b)

Col. i.

Col. ii.

. . .] . ο . [.] . μη αθ . [.] που της] αι επιθε 5] . γνωστος] . [.] . η] ου] του] 10] .	15 $\mu\alpha\iota$ ζ[του β[α]π[τ] > ος· ανεω[χθησαν οι ουρανοι > και ειδεν [το π̄να του θῡν κατα > βαινον ω[σει περιστερ̄αν > ερχομενο[ν επ̄ αυτον και 20 > ιδου φω[νη εκ των ουρανων > λεγουσα [. ο αγα > πητος [γαρ τοτ̄ . [
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] . [] σπ[30] ωνε[. . . (c) . . .] . . [] ασυ . [] ω[
--

]του	τον [I]ην []ο Xς [
]με	25 αλλος δε [35] . ομ[
]	θυ σωτ[ηρ	.
.	ριευω[.

(d)

(e)

.
]ατ[.]σ[] . [. .] . . [
]πος αυτ[]που . [
]ρον αυ[				] . . . θ[. .]ν κ[
] . και ο αυ[	50	] . [ . . ] . [ . ]υτον εκκ[
40] προφητ[		] . . . . σσουθησ[
]ς και υπο[		] . π[
]σαγγελ[λ]ο[	.	.	.	.
] παρθειν[	.	.	.	.
] ου και το[		(f)		
45]τω . [	.	.	.	.
]α[		]α . [
.		]οστος[
	55	] . . ωνος κ[
		]ητους . [
		]απ[

16-22. Owing to the number of variations in the text of this passage (Matt. iii. 16-7) and the irregularities of the papyrus with regard to the ends of lines, as shown by Col. i, some of the restorations are rather doubtful. Both ουρανοι in l. 14 and ουρανων in l. 18 may have been contracted. In l. 15, if πνευμα was written out in full, τό and τοῦ, which are omitted by N and B, may have been also omitted by the papyrus; and that καί, which is found in some MSS. before ἐρχόμενον, was not in the papyrus is fairly certain. The supplement in l. 17 is rather short. The only known variant which would be longer is πρὸς for ἐπ', found in several cursives. In l. 19 there is certainly not room for the best-attested reading οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱός μου ὁ ἀγαπητός: either the papyrus agreed with D in reading σὺ εἶ for οὗτός ἐστιν, or else ὁ υἱός μου was omitted or placed after ἀγαπητός.

406.

10.1 × 7.5 cm.

PLATE I (*verso*).*Verso.*

παχυν[θ]η γαρ [η καρδια του
 λαου τουτου κ[αι τοις ωσιν
 βαρεως ηκου[σαν και τους
 οφθαλμους αυ[των εκαμ
 5 μυσαν μη π[οτε ιδωσιν τοις
 οφθαλμοις αυ[των και τοις ω
 σιν ακουσωσι]ν και τη καρδια
 συνωσιν και ε[πιστρεψωσιν
 κα[ι] ι[α]σομαι αυτους
 10 τ[. . .]εχ[. . .] . [.]οιε[. . .]
 [. . .]ε[ι] . [.]ον[. . .]
 [.]σι[. . .]

Recto.

] φησ[ι
] . . οσ[. . .] κω
 15] . α
]σν . [.] . [.]σαρν[. . .]
] . αλλοθεν λαλω
] αυτων γαρ
] . ρ[.]
 20]ωπου ν[ι]ος θ[υ]
]ος εστρνος Xs
]σ[. . . .]ρο

6. αυ[των] is found here only in a few inferior MSS.

407. CHRISTIAN PRAYER.

14.5 × 15.7 cm.

A short prayer written in rather elongated and ornate, though not very regular, uncials, which we should assign to the end of the third or to the fourth century. On the *verso* is the title 'A prayer,' and below a brief memorandum of some amounts in cursive.

ο θεος ο παντ[ο]κρατωρ ο ποιησας τον ουρανον
 και την γην και την θαλατταν και παντα·τα εν αυτοις
 βοηθησον μοι ελεησον με [[εξ]] εξαλιψον μου τας
 αμαρτιας σωσον με εν τω νυν και εν τω μελλοντι
 5 αιωνι δια του κυριου κα[ι] σωτηρος ημων Ιησου
 Χρειστου δι ου η δοξα και το κρατος εις τους αιωνας
 των αιωνω[ν] αμην

On the *verso*

προσευχη

(δραχμαὶ) Ὑβρις

10 χωρ() λι(τρ) ε (ῥμισυ?).

‘O God Almighty, who madest heaven and earth and sea and all that is therein, help me, have mercy upon me, wash away my sins, save me in this world and in the world to come, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, through whom is the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.’

1. ο ποιησας κ.τ.λ. : the phrase is from Psalm cxlvi, 6; cf. Neh. ix, 6, Apoc. xiv, 7.

3. εξαλειψον κ.τ.λ. : cf. Ps. I, 9 πάσας τὰς ἀνομίας μου εξαλειψον, &c.

10. The meaning of χωρ() is doubtful; with λίτραι immediately following, it is unlikely to be the liquid measure found in the forms δίχωρον and τρίχωρον in B.G. U. 248. 26, 531. ii. 5. χωρ(εῖ) or χωρ(εῖς) is more probable.

II. NEW CLASSICAL FRAGMENTS

408. ODES OF PINDAR.

Fr. (a) 13 × 15 cm.

PLATE II.

FOUR fragments of a lyric work in Pindaric dialect written in medium-sized uncials, with a few corrections and marginal notes in various hands. On the *verso* are some money accounts in a second century cursive. The writing on the *recto*, which bears much resemblance to that of the semi-uncial contracts from Oxyrhynchus of the Domitian-Trajan period (e.g. 270), belongs to the early part of the second century or even to the end of the first. Sub-divisions of the poem are indicated by paragraphi, while an elaborate coronis apparently marks the beginning of a new poem, as in the Bacchylides papyrus; the high stop is employed, and occasional breathings, accents, and marks of elision and quantity occur. Fragment (b) probably belongs to the second column of fragment (a), and since this arrangement accounts for forty-eight lines in this column, it is unlikely that more than two or three, if any, lines are lost between those two fragments. The position of fragments (c) and (d) is obscure.

The authorship of the piece is made certain, as was perceived by Blass, by the correspondence of the last line of fragment (*δ*)]ν δελφίνος νπ[with the beginning of Pindar, Fr. 235 (Christ), a quotation in Plut. *Quaest. Symp.* vii. 5. 2 (cf. *De soll. anim.* 36) of a passage in which the poet compares himself to a dolphin:—*ὁ Πίνδαρος φησι κεκινήσθαι πρὸς ῥῶν ἄλλου δελφίνος ὑπόκρισιν τὸν μὲν ἀκύνουτος πόντου ἐν πελάγει αὐλῶν ἐκίνησεν ἑρατὸν μέλος*. Another extant Pindaric fragment (200) occurs in ll. 58-9; cf. note *ad loc.* Dismissing the first twenty-two lines, of which the merest fragments remain, we have in ll. 23-42 most of the last antistrophe and in ll. 43-54 part of the last epode of one poem, and in ll. 54-69 part of the first strophe of the next. The subject of the antistrophe, which has suffered much damage through the obliteration of the ink in the latter parts of several lines, is the vengeance taken by Heracles upon Laomedon. Though the general thread of the construction in ll. 23-35 has yet to be discovered, their restoration is a by no means hopeless undertaking, for the vestiges of letters in the effaced parts are generally sufficient to verify the right conjectures when they are made. The second poem has in the margin at the beginning traces of what seems to have been its title, but these are too slight to give a clue to the subject. The first strophe contains an interesting tribute by Pindar to one of his predecessors in the field of lyric poetry, which may be compared with the conclusion of the recently discovered *Persae* of Timotheus.

In this, as in the other new classical fragments, many of the restorations of lacunae and suggestions in the commentary are due to Blass.

(a)

Col. i.

	]ΠΟΙ	10] . [. .]	
	]ÇΙΔΕ[ . ] .		]ΜΕΤΕΡΑ!	
	]ΓΕΝΩΝ		]ΩΙΠΟΛΛΟΝ	μαγτευμα[τ]αν
	]ΟΝ		]ΟΝΤΕΝ	
5	]ΦΑ	14	]ΝΤΡΙΧΑ .	
	] .			6 lines lost.
	] . .	21	]Α	
	]ΠΑ[ . . . ]		. . . . .

Col. ii.

Φ ΜΙ[
ΤΟΙΠΡΟΪΔ[.]ΝΑΙCΑΝΑ[	τοι προΐδ[ω]ν αἶσαν . . .
ΖΟΙΤΟΤ'ΑΜΦ[.]ΟΥΤΑΤ . [	ζοι τότ' ἀμφ . . .
25 ΗΡΑΚΛΕΗΣ . ΑΛΙΑ[ . . ] . . [	Ἡρακλέης . ἀλῖαι . . .

- ΝΑΪΜΟΛΟΝΤΑΣ[.]Υ[.]ΗΨ[.] . [.] . ΞΘΕΝ ναῖ μολόντας . . .
 ΘΟΝΟΙΦΥΓΟΝΟΝ[.] [.] . . . θονοι φύγον . . .
 ΠΑΝΤΩΝΓΑΡΥΠ[.]ΡΒΙΘCΑΝ . . ΞΕΦΑ[πάντων γὰρ ὑπ[έ]ρβιος . . .
 ΨΥΧΑΝΚΕΝΕΩ[.]ΕΜΕ[.] . . ΡΥΚ . Α . . [ψυχὰν κενεῶ[ν] ε . . .
 30 ΛΑΩΝΞΕΝΟΔΑ[.]ΚΤΑΒΔCΙΛΗ[.] . λαῶν ξενοδα[ί]κτα βασιλῆ-
 ΟCΑΤΑ[Ν]ΘΑΛΙΑΙΚΟΤΕΩ[.]ΘΑΜΑ[ος ἀτασθαλίᾳ κοτέω[ν] θαμὰ
 ΑΡΧΑ[Π]ΤΑΙΤΕ[.]ΑΛΟΥ ἀρχαγέτα τε [Δ]άλου
 ΠΙΘΕΤΟΠΑΥCΕΝ[.] . ΡΜ[.]ΙΑΔΕC . . C[.] πίθετο παυσ . . .
 ΓΑΡCΕΛ[.]ΓΥCΦΑΡΑΓΩΝ . ΥΤ . ΝΑΥ γάρ σε λ[ι]γυσφαράγων . . .
 35 ΤΑΚΑΒΟΔΕΦΟΡΜΙΓΓΩΝ . τα, ἐκαβόλε, φορμίγγων.
 ΜΝΑCΘΗΘΟΤΙΤΟΙΖΑΘΕΑC μνάσθηθ' ὅτι τοι ζαθέας
 ΠΑΡΟΥΕΝΓΥΑΛΟΙCΕCΑΤΟΑ[.]ΑΚΤΙ Πάρου ἐν γυάλοις ἔσσατο ἄ[ν]ακτι
 ΒΩΜΟΝΠΑΤΡΙΤΕΚΡΟΝΙΩΙΤΙΜΙΕΑΝ βωμὸν πατρί τε Κρονίῳ τιμάεν-
 ΤΙΠΕΡΑΝΙCΘΜΟΝΔΙΑΒΑΙC . τι πέραν ἰσθμὸν διαβαίς,
 40 ΟΤΕΛΛΟΜΕΔΟΝ ὅτε Λαομέδον-
 ΤΙΠΕΠΡΩΜΕΝΟΙΗΡΧΕΤΟ τι πεπρωμένοι ἦρχετο
 ΜΟΡΟΙΟΚΑΡΥΞ . μόροιο κάρυξ.
 Η[.]ΓΑΡΤΟΠΑΛΑΙΦΑΤΟΝ[.] ΟΝ η . γὰρ τὸ παλαίφατον ον
 ΕΙΚΕCΥΓΓΟΝΟΥC εἴκε συγγόνους
 45 ΤΡΕΙCΠ[.] . ΕΩ[.]ΝΚΕΦΑΛΑΝ . . Ρ . . ΤΑΙ[τρεῖς κεφαλὰν
 ΕΠΙΔ[.] ΑΙΜΑ[.] . [.] [ἐπιδ

(δ)

- ΑΛΛΑ[ἀλλα . . .
 ΤΕΜΑΧΑ[τε μαχα[. . . ἡ-
 ΡΩΩΝΑ[ρώων α . . .
 50 ΛΑΧΟΝΚ[λάχον κ . . .
 ΝΟΝΕΓΩ[νον ἐγὼ . . .
 ΟΡΓΙΟΙCΑ[ὀργίοις α . . .
 53 ΑΥΞΟΥΗ[αὐξ . . .
]μας ΑΙΟΥ[αἰολ . . .
] . s ΙΩΝ[ιων . . .
]ση ΑΟΙΔ[.]ΑΙΑΡΜΟΝΙΑΝ αἰοιδ[ὸν] καὶ ἀρμονίαν

]Λ AY : [. . .]ΠΕΦΡΑÇΑ[
 ΤΩ[. . .]ΚΡΩΝΤΙÇ[
 Π[.]ΟΥΚΟΛΩ[
 60 Ν[.]ΡΑΥÇΟΝΙΑ[
 ΔΙ[.]ΙCΑΝΘ . [
 ΟΙΟΝ[.]ΧΗΜΑΛΙ[
 ΚΕÇÔ[.]ΟΝΠΑΙΗΘ[
 ΑΠΟΛΛΩΝΙΤΕΚΑΙ[
 65 ΑΡΜΕΝΟΝ·ΕΓΩΜ[
 ΠΑΥΡΑΜΕΛ[.]ΖΟΜΕΝ[
 [. .]CÇΑΡΓΟΝΑΜΦΕΠΩ[
 [. .]ΟΜΑΙΠΡΟÇΑΥΤΑ[
 [. .]ΥΔΕΛΦΙΝΟCΥΠ[

αυ . [. . . ἐ]πεφράσα[το
 τῶ[ν . . Δο]κρῶν τις [οἷ τ' ἀργίλοφον
 π[ὰρ Ζεφυρί]ου κολῶ[ναν
 ν[άου]σ' ὑπ[ὲρ] Αὔσονία[s ἄκρας,
 λι[παρὰ πόλ]ις, ἀνθ[ηκε δὲ
 οἶον [δ']χημα λιγ . . .
 κες οἶον παιή[να
 Ἀπόλλωνί τε καὶ . . .
 ἄρμενον. ἐγὼ μ[ὲν] κλύων
 παῖρα μελ[ι]ζομέν[ου τέχ]ναν
 [γλώ]σσαργον ἀμφέπω[ν ἐρε-
 [θίς]μαι πρὸς αὐτὰ[ν ἀ-
 [λίω]ν δελφίνος ὑπ[ὲρ]κρισιν

70]αυξίο[

(c)

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]:[
]ΝΟCΑ [
]ΑΤΕC [
]
]ΑΝΔΗΠΟ[

(d)

.
]ΟΝΕ[
]ΡΤΟΝ[
]Α[

11. The supposed ΑΙ at the end of the line are really more like Ν.

12. *μαντευμα[τ]ων* is written in a semi-uncial hand in the margin between ll. 12 and 30, and so far as its position goes might refer to either. Probably it and the marginal adscript at the beginning of the new poem (l. 55) were due to the same person, who may be identical with the writer of the main text. The note below l. 69 is almost certainly in a different hand, and the corrections in ll. 31, 32 and 63 seem to be by a third person.

30. ΒΑCΙΑΗ[: either βασιλῆ]ος or βασιλῆ[ος] ὅς can be read. *Ξενοδαύκτης* occurs in Eur. *Herc. Fur.* 391 as an epithet of Cyncus, who was killed by Heracles. But here the 'king who murders strangers' is Laomedon; cf. l. 40.

32. The 'founder of Delos' is no doubt Apollo.

33. The doubtful Ε after ΠΑΥC may be Α.

34. *Βαρυσφάραγος* occurs in Pindar, *Is/Is.* 8. 47, and *ἐρισφάραγος* is found in the Homeric Hymn to Hermes, but λ[ι]γυσφάραγος is new.

36-42. 'Remember that he set up an altar in the dells of holy Paros to thee, the king, and to his honoured father, son of Cronos, having passed over the isthmus to the other side, when he came a herald of fated doom to Laomedon.'

36. *μνάσθθ'* is for *μνάσθῃ*, Apollo being addressed; cf. l. 35 *ἐκαβόλε*. The subject of *ἔσσαιο* is Heracles, who, according to Apollodorus ii. § 99, came to Paros when on his quest for Hippolyte's girdle, after which enterprise he went to Troy. *πατρί Κρονίῳ* means Zeus; cf. *Ol.* 2. 13 *Κρόνι παί*.

55 sqq. '... song and harmony ... were devised by one of the Locrians who dwell beside the white-crested hill of Zephyrium in furthest Ausonia, a rich city; he dedicated ... a single paean meet for Apollo and ...: I hearing his brief melody, plying an art of ceaseless words, am moved to song like a sea-dolphin ...'.

55. Perhaps *ἰώων*, but *ἰαώνων* would be the form expected. In the marginal adscript the doubtful *μ* in the first line might be *δ* or *λ* preceded by another letter, and the doubtful *α* might be *ο*, while a narrow letter such as *ι* may have been lost between them. For *ν[μ]ν[ος]* there is not space enough. Instead of *κη* in the third line *και* is possible, and the last word may be *Ἀπόλλ(ων)*; cf. l. 64. Pindar wrote several *ᾠμοι* to Apollo; cf. Pausan. x. p. 858 *καθέζεσθαι τε τὸν Πίνδαρον καὶ ᾄδειν ὅποσα τῶν ᾠμάτων ἐς Ἀπόλλωνά ἐστιν*.

58. The reference is to Xenocritus (or Xenocrates) who invented the Locrian mode (*Λοκριστί*); cf. Westphal, *Metrik der Griechen*, I. p. 286. For the restorations of this line and the next cf. Pind. Fr. 200 quoted by the scholiast on *Ol.* x. 17 *τραχέα δὲ εἰκότως λέγοιτο (Locri) λοφώδης οὖσα καὶ ἐπιθαλασσίδια· αὐτὸς γάρ φησιν· οἱ τ' ἀργιλοφον παρ Ζεφυρίου κολώνων*.

60. *ΑΟΥCΥΠΕ* is rather long for the lacuna, and possibly *ΚΟΛΩ|Ν|ΑΝΥΠΕ|Ρ* should be read.

61. *ΑΝΘ* . [: above A is what may be a mark of quantity, probably *υ*. *Ε* can be read in place of *Θ*.

62. For *[δ]χημα* cf. Pind. Fr. 124 *ἐρατῶν ὄχημ' αἰοιδᾶν*.

63. For the form *παίησ'να* cf. Bacchyl. 15. 8.

67. For *ἐρεθίζομαι* cf. Plut. *De soll. anim.* 36 *δελφῖνι Πίνδαρος ἀπεικάζων ἐαντὸν ἐρεθίζεσθαι φησιν (ἄλι)ον δελφίνος ὑπόκρισιν κ.τ.λ.* The next words would be expected to be *πρὸς αἰοιδάν* (cf. the quotation as given in the introd.), but instead of this the papyrus has *ΠΡΟCΑΥΤΑ[]*, the last letter being extremely doubtful. Possibly *αυτα[ν]* is corrupt for *αἰοιδάν*: if not, it must refer to *αἰοιδάν* in l. 56.

70. This note probably refers to l. 53.

409. MENANDER, *Κόλαξ*.

21.5 × 34.1 cm.

PLATES II and III.

A notable increase has been effected during the last few years in the fragments of Menander, the discovery of the Geneva fragment of the *Γεωργός* being rapidly followed by that of the Oxyrhynchus fragment of the *Περικειρομένη*. Another welcome addition is now made by the following considerable fragment of the *Κόλαξ*, a comedy previously represented only by a few short quotations, and some mutilated lines in P. Petrie I. iv. 1 assigned with much probability to this play by Blass (*Hermes*, xxxiii. p. 654, *Rhein. Museum*, lv. p. 102). The identification is established by the fortunate occurrence in the papyrus (ll. 42-4) of

three lines quoted from the Κόλαξ by Stobaeus, *Floril.* 10. 21 (Fr. 294 of the Menander fragments in Kock's *Fragmenta Comicoorum*); while another line and a half formerly placed among the ἀδελὰ δράματα (Kock, Fr. 731) occur in ll. 49-50.

As is well known, this play was utilized by Terence in his *Eunuchus*, a fact which he himself states in the prologue (ll. 30-2):

Colax Menandri est: in ea est parasitus Colax
et miles gloriosus. eos se non negat
personas transtulisse in Eunuchum suam,

the 'parasitus' Gnatho representing Menander's Στρουθίας, and the 'miles gloriosus,' who in the Κόλαξ was called Βίας (cf. l. 32), appearing as Thraso (cf. Kock, Fr. 293, Plutarch, *Mor.* 57 a). But not much can be inferred from this concerning the plot of the Κόλαξ, since the *Eunuchus* was the product of a *contaminatio* of two Menandrian dramas, the second being the Εὐνοῦχος; and where Terence was following the one and where the other cannot be accurately determined. Unfortunately on this point the present papyrus, notwithstanding its length, does not bring much enlightenment. Throughout the first column the beginnings of the lines are lost; and though different speakers are occasionally distinguished, and the sense of a line or two may here and there be caught, it is impossible either to follow the course of the dialogue or evolve a connected idea of the action. In ll. 1-13 the speaker is possibly Struthias, the parasite, and a comparison with Terence, *Eunuchus* ii. 2, would then suggest itself; but the resemblance, if indeed there can be said to be a resemblance, was not more than a general one. A closer parallel is obtainable between ll. 11-3 and Terence, *Eunuch.* iii. 4, a speech by Antipho. Lower down in the column other characters appear and the names Doris and Phidias (ll. 18-9) are mentioned; perhaps therefore a change of scene occurred in the course of this column, and the transition may be marked by the space between ll. 13 and 14. Column ii, which succeeds without a break, is in a more satisfactory condition. Probably a new scene opens at l. 39, from which point as far as l. 53 we have a dialogue between two persons who are walking in the street followed by a slave carrying wine-jars (l. 47). One of them is infuriated by the sight of the parasite, Struthias, whom he declares (ll. 45-53) he would like to unmask in the open market-place. Below l. 53 is a coronis and a short line; and then another dialogue succeeds in which the speakers are the familiar young man (A.) and his tutor (B.; cf. l. 55 τρόφιμῳ), the latter of whom makes a speech of some length upon the iniquities of the race of parasites (ll. 55-63). It would at first sight be natural to suppose that a change of scene occurred at l. 54, and that the short line is a stage direction. But what remains of l. 54 does not seem to suit this view, while

on the other hand it can be easily connected with what follows; and, moreover, the speech of the tutor would succeed so appositely upon the outburst in ll. 45-53 as to give strong support to the hypothesis that the speakers in the upper half of this column are the same as in the lower. Line 54 must then be assumed to be defective. In the third column a different and apparently more dramatic scene opens, the transition to which is lost with the first few lines. This column is detached from the preceding two, but that it followed them immediately is rendered almost certain by the fact that this accords not only with the *recto*, where we have the correct amount of margin, but also with the *verso*, which has been used for an account. The break in the papyrus separates the figures of a column from the items to which they relate, and though the latter are too much defaced for the connexion to be established with certainty, the coincidence of the lines with the figures and the width of the resulting column, which exactly corresponds with that following it, suffice to make this relation of the fragments extremely probable. There is then hardly room for doubt that this was the next scene of the play; but although twenty lines remain, of which not more than a few letters or syllables are missing, the situation is very obscure. There is apparently only one change of speaker (l. 89); the soldier Βίας, a *leno*, and a girl seem to be involved; but their relations are not made clear, and the *Eunuchus* seems to provide no definite clue. The mention of στρατιῶται in l. 82, with the passage in the next speech (ll. 91-4) 'If he perceives it he will come bringing sixty comrades, even as many as Odysseus took with him to Troy, with shouts and threats,' may recall the scene (*Eunuch.* iv. 7) where Thraso with his comrades prepares to attack the house of Thais, a passage with which Blass also connects the Fayûm fragment referred to above; but it is difficult to work out the analogy.

The MS. is written in rapidly formed medium-sized uncials which we should assign to about the middle of the second century. This date is also indicated by the two marginal notes, one of which is of some length, written by the original scribe in a smaller and more cursive hand, and also by the accounts already mentioned on the *verso*, which are not later than the first half of the third century, and may belong to the end of the second. Changes of speaker are marked by double dots and paragraphi as in the Περιειρομένη fragment (211); stops are frequently added, the high point as a rule being used, though the middle (so apparently at the ends of ll. 6 and 35) and low point (l. 44) also occur, and accents, breathings, &c., are found here and there: most or all of these lection signs are by the first hand. The text is but mediocre in quality, for in addition to minor errors half a line may be missing at l. 54 (see above), and the blank space after l. 13 is suspicious.

Col. i.

<p>] . []]ΩΝΤΩΝΠΑΤΕ[. . . .]ΝΗΜΕΝΟC]CΥQΝΩCΠACINΔQ[.]Ε[.]]ΕΠΙΠΡΑΞΕ[.]CΤΙΝΑ[.]·</p>	
<p>5]ΙΚΙΑΝΕΜΟΙΚΕΝΗΝ] . ΠΑΙΔΑΡΙΟΝ· [.]ΥΤQCΤΡΟΦΗΝ·]ΝΔΙΟΙΚΗΤΑΙCΤΙC[.]Ν·]ΔΑΙΜΟΝΤΥΧΟΝΙCΩC]ΩΝΑΘΛΙΩCΟΥ[.]ΩCΦQΔΡΑ·</p>	<p>5]ων τῶν πατέ[ρων μεμ]νημένος]συν ὡς πᾶσιν δο[κ]ε[ί]] ἐπὶ πράξεις τινὰ[ς] ο]ίκίαν ἐμοὶ κενήν]. παιδάριον· [α]ὐτὸς τροφήν]ν διοικηταῖς τισιν]δαιμον τυχόν ἴσως]ων ἀθλῶς οὔ[τ]ω σφόδρα</p>
<p>10]ΤΟΜΟΠ[.]ΗΤΕΟΝ]ΥΝΟΔΟCΗΜΩΝ[.]Ε[.]ΝΕΤΑΙ]ΕCΤΙΑΤΩΡΔΕC[.]QΤΗC]ΔΕΧΕCΘΑΙΕ[.] . .]ΜQΙ</p>	<p>10 τοῦ]τό μοι π[ο]ητέον σ]ύνodos ἡμῶν χ[ί]λ[ι]γνεται] ἐστίατωρ δεσ[π]ότης] δέχεσθαι εἰ[π]ε[ί] μοι</p>
<p>] . ΔΕΙΤΟ . [.]ΕΝΤ[.] . [.] 15]ΜΠΡΟΝΗΔΟΞΗΜΕΓΑΝ·]Ν· ΕΙΔΕΜΗΤΡΙΟΝ]ΑΙΝΙΑΝ· ΑΓΡΙΑΝΑΓΕ]ΑΡΑ : ΝΥΝΕΓΩΔΩΡΙC]ΝΦΕΙΔΙΑ : ΘΑΡΡΕΙΝ· ΕΜΟΙ</p>	<p>] . α δεῖ το . . εντ . . . 15 πλούτῳ λα]μπρὸν ἡ δόξῃ μέγαν]ν· εἰ δὲ μὴ τρίτον]αινιαν ἀγρίαν ἄγε]αρα. Β. νῦν ἐγὼ Δωρὶς (ν -)]ν Φειδία. Α. θαρρεῖν ἐμοὶ</p>
<p>20]CΕΜ[.]CΤΑΥΤΗCΜΕΛΕΙ]ΕΙΠΗΦΛΗΝΑΦΟΝ·]ΝΑΘΗΝΑCΩCΕΜΕ] ΚΡΕ[.]ΒΩCΤΑΠΑΤΡΙΑ]ΥCΑΥΤQ[.]C· ΠΟ[.]ΛΛΕΙC·</p>	<p>20]σεμ . s ταύτης μέλει] εἶπη φλήναφον δέσποι]ν' Ἀθηνᾶ σῶζέ με οἷδ' ἀ]κρειβῶς τὰ πάτρια το]ὺς αὐτ[ο]ύ[ς]· πόλεις</p>
<p>25]QΥCΙ : ΤΙΛΕΓΕΙCΑΘΛΙΕ :]ΠΟΝΗΡΟΙCΤΟΥCΘΕΟΥC]ΝΑΓΑΘΟΝΠΡΑΤΤΟΜΕΝ]ΦΕΡΩΝΑΥΤQCΠΟΤΕ]ΟΝ· ΠΗΡΑΝ· ΚΡΑΝΟC</p>	<p>25]ουσι. Β. τί λέγεις ἄθλιε; Α.] πονηροῖς τοὺς θεοὺς]ν ἀγαθὸν πράττομεν διμοιρίτης] φέρων αὐτὸς ποτε]ον, πήραν, κράνος,</p>
<p>30]ΟΝ· ΔΙ[.]ΒΟΛΙΑΝ· ΚΩΔΙΟΝ]ΥΧΗCΟΝΟCΦΕΡΕΙ·]ΑΙΦΝΗCΒΙΑC]ΝΕΜΟΝ : ΤΟΝΕΝΘΑΔΙ</p>	<p>30]ον, διβολίαν, κώδιον, ἀτ]υχῆς ὄνος φέρει. ἐξ]αίφνης Βίας]ν ἐμόν. Α. τὸν ἐνθαδί</p>

διμοιρεῖτο διπλοὺν
 λαμβάνων
 τὸν στρατιωτ
 μισθόν

“διμοιρίτ(ης)” δὲ διπλοὺν
 λαμβάνων
 τὸν στρατιωτ(ῶν)
 μισθόν.

Col. ii.

- [.] . . Μ[.]ΝΟΥΝΤΑΠΕΡΥΣΙ[.]ΑΕΙ·
 35 [.]ΗΝΔΙΑΤΡΙΒΗΝΤΑΡΙ[.] . .]ΣΑΨ·
 ΑΠ[.]]ΟΝ· ΣΚΩΠ[.]ΟΜΕΝΟΥ[.] . .] . ΣΠ . [·
 ΕΥΠ[.]]Τ[.] . ΟΝΤΑΠΑ[.]ΔΕΣ· ΕΧΟΜΕ[·
 ΟΠΟ[.] . . .] . .]ΗΨΟ[.]·]CΘΕΝ[.]ΟΙΧΟΜΑΙ·
 Τ[.]Κ[.]]ΚΑΤΕΠΤΗΚΕΝΠΡΟΘΕ[·
 40 ΠΟΛ[.]]ΝΗΣΑΤΡΑΠΗΝΗΣ[·
 . . [.]]ΝΕΣΤΙΔΗΛΟΣΕΣΤΙ· ΠΩC·
 ΟΥΘ[.]]ΕΝΤΑΧΕΩCΔΙΚΑΙΟΥCΩΝ·
 ΟΜΕ[.]]ΕΓΕΙΚΑΙΦΕΙΔΕΤΑΙ·
 ΟΔΕΤ[.]]ΝΤ'ΕΝΕ[.]ΡΕΥCΑC·ΠΑΝΤ[·
 45 ΩCΑΔΙ[.]]· ΟΜΝΥΩΤΟΝΗΛΙΟΝ
 ΕΙΜΗΦΕ[.]]CΘΠΙCΘ'ΕΒΑΔΙΖ[.]ΜΟΥ
 ΤΑΘΑC[.]Α[.]]ΗΝΥΠΟΝΟΙΑΚΡΑΙΠΑΛΗΣ·
 ΕΒΟΩ[.]]ΑΡΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΩΝΕΝΑΓΟΡΑΙ·
 ΑΝΘΡΩΠ[.]·]Ε[.] . .]ΝΠΤΩΧΟCΗCΘΑΚΑΙΝΕΚΡΟC·
 50 ΝΥΝ[.]ΔΕΠΛΟΥ[.] . .]ΛΕΓΕΤΙΝΕΙΡΓΑΖΟΥΤΕΧΝΗΝ·
 ΤΟΥΤΟΙ[.]ΑΠΟΚΡ[.]·]ΑΙΠΟΘΕΝΕΧΕΙCΤΑΥΤΑ· ΟΥΚΑΠΕΙ
 ΕΚΤΗΣ[.]]· ΩCΕ· ΤΙΔΙΔΑC[.]ΕΙCΚΑΚΑ·
 ΤΙΛΥCΙΤΕΛΕΙΗΜΙΝΑΠΟΦΑΙΝΕΙCΤΑΔΙΚΕΙΝ
 ΕΙCΕCΤ[.]Ν . [.] . . [·
 55 ΔΙΟΥΤΑΠΑΝ[.]Α[.]ΟΛΩΛΕΤΡΟΦΙΜΕΠΡΑΓΜΑΤΑ
 ΑΡΑΗΝ[.]Ε[.]ΩC[.] . .] . . . ΝΟCΑCΑΝΑCΤΑΤΟΥC
 ΠΟΛΕΙCΕ[.]·]ΑΚΑ[.]·]ΟΥΤΑΠΟΛΩΛΕΚΕΝΜΟΝΟΝ
 ΤΑΥΤΑC· ΟΝΥΝ[.] . . . Ο . . . ΟΝΕΞΕΥΡΗΚΕΩ·
 ΟCΟΙΤΥΡΑΝΝΟΙΠΩΠΟΤ'ΟCΤΙCΗΓΕΜΩΝ
 60 ΜΕΓΑC· CΑΤΡΑΠ[.]·]ΦΡΟΥΡΑΡΧ[.]CΟΙΚΙCΤΗCΤΟΠ[.]Υ·
 CΤΡΑΤΗΓΟC· ΟΥ[.] . .]ΑΛΛΑΤΟΥCΤΕΛΕΩCΛΕΓΩ
 ΑΠΟΛΩΛΟΤΑC[.] . . .]ΟΥΤΑΝΗΡΗΚΑΝΜΟΝΟΝ
 ΟΙΚΟΛΑΚΕC· ΟΥΠ[.]·]ΕΙCΙΝΑΥΤΟΙCΑΘΛΙΟΙ
 CΟΒΑΡΟCΜΕΝΟΛΟΓΟC· ΟΤΙΔΕΤΟΥΤΕCΤΙΝΠΟΤΕ
 65 ΟΥΚΟΙΔΕΓΩΓΕ· Π[.]CΤΙCΑΝΚΡΙΝΑCΚΑΚΩC
 ΕΥΝΟΥΝΥΠΟΛΑΒΟ[.]ΤΟΝΕΠΙΒΟΥΛΕΥΟΝΤΑCΟΙ
 ΚΑΝΜΗΔΥΝΗΤΑ[.]· ΠΑCΔΥΝΑΤΑΙΚΑΚΩCΠΟΕΙΝ

Col. ii.

- μ[έ]ν οὖν τὰ πέρυσι . . . αει
 35 ἣν διατριβὴν παρι . . . σας

απ ον σκωπ[τ]ομένου σπ . . .

ευπ τι . οντα πα[τ]δες έχομε . . .

οπο ης δ[πι]σθεν οἶχομαι.

A. τί κ κατέπτηκεν πόθειν;

40 πολ ἢ σατράπην ἢ σ . . .

. ν ἐστὶ δῆλός ἐστιν B. πῶς;

A. οὐθ[εῖς ἐπλούτησ]εν ταχέως δίκαιος ὦν

ὁ μὲν γὰρ αὐτῷ συλλ[έ]γει καὶ φείδεται

ὁ δὲ τὸν πάλαι τηροῦντ' ἐνεδρεύσας πάντ' [έχει.

45 B. ὡς ἄδι[κον εἶπες.] A. ὁμνῶ τὸν ἥλιον

εἰ μὴ φέ[ρων ὁ πα]τ[ρ]ς ὅπισθ' ἐβάδιζέ μου

τὰ Θάσ[ε]α [καί τις] ἦν ὑπόνοια κραιπάλης,

ἐβόω[ν ἂν εὐθὺς π]αρακολουθῶν ἐν ἀγορᾷ·

ἄνθρωπ[ε, π]έ[ρυσιν] πτωχὸς ἦσθα καὶ νεκρός,

50 νυν[ι] δὲ πλου[τεῖς] λέγε τίν' εἰργάζου τέχνην·

τοῦτό γ' ἀπόκρ[ιν]ται, πόθεν ἔχεις ταῦτ'; οὐκ ἄπει

ἐκ τῆς [. . . ἐτέ]ρωσε; τί διδάσ[κ]εις κακά;

τί λυσιτελεῖ(ν) ἡμῖν ἀποφαίνεις τὰδικεῖν;

B. εἶς ἐστιν . . .

55 δι' οὗ τὰ πάν[τ'] ἀ[π]όλωλε, τρόφιμε, πράγματα

ἄρδην, [λ]έγω σοι .] . . ν' ὅσας ἀναστάτους

πόλεις ἐ[όρ]ακα[ς, τ]οῦτ' ἀπολώλεκεν μόνον

ταύτας, ὃ νῦν . . . ο . . ον ἐξεύρηκ' ἐγώ·

ὅσοι τύραννοι πώποθ', ὅστις ἡγεμὼν

60 μέγας, σατράπ[ης], φρούραρχ[ο]ς, οἰκιστῆς τόπ[ο]ν,

στρατηγός, οὐ [γὰρ] ἀλλὰ τοὺς τελέως λέγω

ἀπολωλότας [νῦν, τ]οῦτ' ἀνῆρκεν μόνον

οἱ κόλακες οἱ π[ά]ρεισιν(?) αὐτοῖς ἄθλιοι.

A. σοβαρὸς μὲν ὁ λόγος· ὅτι δὲ τοῦτ' ἔστιν ποτὲ

65 οὐκ οἷδ' ἔγωγε. B. π[α]τ[ρ]ς τις ἂν κρίνας κακῶς

εὖνουν ὑπολάβο[ι] τὸν ἐπιβουλευόντά σοι.

A. κἂν μὴ δύνηται[ι] B. πᾶς δύναται κακῶς ποεῖν.

Col. iii.

About 10 lines lost.

- [.] . . . [. . . .] . . [.]ÇAYTOY[
 80 ΟΤ[.]ΡΟCΒΙΑΝΜΕ . . [. . [.]ΠΕΙCΤ[.]ΧΩΡΗCΕΙC[
 Μ[.]Τ[.]ΑΠΕΜΨΕΘ[.]ΤΕΡΟΥC . [.]CΤΡΑΤ[
 ΟΥ[.]ΑΡΑΦΥΛΑΞΕΙ· ΠΑΙΔΕC· ΕΚΤΡΙΒΩ[
 ΗΤΟΙΠΟΘΟΥΤΟCΗCΥΠΙCΤΕΥΘΕΙCΑ[
 85 ΥΠΕΞΑΝ[.]ΟΝΤΕΜΗΘΕΝΩΝΠΟΞΙ[
 ΔΟΞΑC· ΕΧΕΙCΤΟΝΑΝΔΡ'ΑΦΥΛΑΚΤΟΝ· Ε[
 ΤΩΝΠΡΑΤΤΟΜΕΝΩΝΤΗCΟΙΚΙΑC· ΟΤΙ[
 Β[.]ΥΔΗΙΔΙΟΙΚΗΘΗCΕΤΑΙΤΑΛΟΙΠΑCΟΙ
 [.]ΟΥΔ[. . .]Θ . . ΗCΦΑΝΕΡΟC· ΟΥΛΕΙΜΟΙ[
 90 ΕΧΟΝ[.]ΕCΕΝΤ[. .]ΧΕΡCΙΝΑΛΛΟΔΟΥΔΕΞΗ[
 ΩΝΞΙΘΟΓΕΙΤΩΝ· ΑΛΕΑΝΑΙCΘΗΘ'ΟΜ[
 ΠΡΟCΞΙCΙΝΕΞΗΚ[.]ΝΘΕΤΑΙΡΟΥCΠΑΡΑΛΑΒ[
 [.]ΟΥ[.]ΟΔΥCCEΥCΗΛΘΕΝΕΙCΤΡΟΙΑΝΕΧΩ[.
 [.]ΩΝΑΠΕΙΛΩΝ· ΑΝCΕΜΗ· ΜΑCΤΙΓΙΑ
 95 [.]ΕΠΡΑΚΑCΠΛΕΟΝΕΧΟΝΤΙΧΡΥCΙΟΙ[
 [. . .] . . ΤΙ[.]ΔΑΠΩΛΩΜΑΤΟΥCΔΩΔΕΚΑ[.]ΟΥC
 [. . . .]Μ[.]ΝΟ[.]ΔΙΑΤΟΥΤΟΝ· ΗΝΙΑΛΑΜΒΑΝΕΝ
 [.]ΔΕΚΑΤΡΕΙCΜΝΑCΕΚΑCΤΗCΗΜΕΡΑC
 [.]ΞΕΝΟΥ· ΔΕΔΟΙΚΑΔΟΥΤΩΛΑΜΒΑΝΕΙΝ
 100 [. . . .]ΔΟΥΓΑΡΑΡΠΑCΟΝΘ'ΟΤΑΝΤΥΧΗΙ
 [. . . .]ΔΙΚΑCΟΜΑΙ· ΠΡΑΓΜΑΘΕΞΩ· ΜΑΡΤΙ[

-]αCτυανακτοC τουμιληCιου[.]τυαγ[. .]οCπολλοιCφοδρα
]ωνκωμωδιογρ- μεμν[.]τ' εγενετογ' παγκρατιαCτ' κρα[
]νκαθαυτονηγω[.]Cατοδ'κ'πυγμαιερατοCσθενηCδε[. . .
 105]-τωνολυμπιονικ' προθειC ριC⁵ ολυμπ' φ' α[.]υαναξ[
]ομηλιCιοC C⁵ τηνπεριοδονακονιτει

Col. iii.

- C αυτου . . .
 80 ο . [π]ρδC βίαν με . . .
 τ . . . πειC . . χωρήCει C . . .
 μ[ε]ταπέμψεθ' [έ]τέρουC [δὲ] στρατ[ι]ώταC, ραδίωC

- οὐ[ς] παραφυλάξει· παῖδες, ἐκτρίβοιμεν ἄν.
 ἦτοι ποθ' οὗτος ἢ σὺ πιστευθεὶς λόγοις
 85 ὑπεναντίον τε μηθὲν ὦν ποεῖς ποεῖν
 δόξας ἔχεις τὸν ἄνδρ' ἀφύλακτον, ἔκτοπον
 τῶν πραττομένων, τῆς οἰκίας· ὅτ[αν] δὲ σὺ
 βούλῃ, διοικηθήσεται τὰ λοιπά σοι.
 B. [π]οῦ δ θ . . . ης φανερός; οὐ λιμοί, [βίον
 90 ἔχον[τ]ες ἐν τ[αῖς] χερσίν, ἄλλο δ' οὐδὲ ἔν;
 ὠνεῖθ' ὁ γείτων· ἄλλ' ἐὰν αἰσθηθ' ὁμῶς
 πρόσσειν ἐξήκονθ' ἐταίρους παραλαβ[ών],
 [ῥο]υ[ς] 'Οδυσσεὺς ἦλθεν ἐς Τροίαν ἔχω[ν],
 [βο]ῶν ἀπειλῶν "ἄν σε μῆ." "μαστιγία,
 95 [ἐμ]ὴν π[έ]πρακας πλέον ἔχοντι χρυσίον."
 τι[αῖ]δα πωλῶ; μὰ τοὺς δώδεκα θεοὺς
 [ἀπατῶ] μ[ε]νο[ς] διὰ τοῦτον· ἡ μὲν ἐλάμβανεν
 ἰ δέκα τρεῖς μνᾶς ἐκάστης ἡμέρας
 [παρὰ τοῦ] ξένου· δέδοικα δ' οὐτῶ λαμβάνειν
 100 λου γὰρ ἀρπάσονθ' ὅταν τύχη
 δικάσομαι, πράγμαθ' ἔξω, μάρτυρες

] "Ἀστυνάκτος." τοῦ Μιλησίου [Ἀσ]τυν[ακ]τος πολλοὶ σφόδρα
 τῶν κομφοδιογρ[άφων] μέμνη[ν]τ[αι]. ἐγένετ(ο) γ(ὰρ) παγκρατιαστ(ῆς)
 κρά[τ]ιςτος)

- τῶ]ν καθ' αὐτόν, ἡγωνί[σα]το δ(ὲ) κ(αὶ) πυγμή. 'Ερατοσθένης δ' ἔιν τῶ
 105 . τῶν 'Ολυμπιονικ(ῶν) προθεῖς ρις 'Ολυμπ(άδα) φ(ησίν)· Ἀ[σ]τυνάξ
 ὁ Μιλήσιος τ τὴν περίοδον ἀκοντεῖ.

4-8. Blass suggests the following restoration of this passage: [ἐπεὶ γὰρ ἐξέπλευσεν] ἐπὶ
 πράξεις τινὰς | [ὁ πατήρ κατέλιπεν οἰκίαν ἐμοὶ κενὴν | [καὶ . . . ἐν] παιδάριον· αὐτὸς τροφήν | [ἐπορι-
 σάμην. τὴν μὲν (sc. οἰκίαν)] διοικηταῖς τισιν | [ἐπέτρεψε . . .

10. π[ο]ητέον: cf. ll. 67 and 85. The Attic form is also preserved in the Περικειρομένη
 papyrus, 211. 2.

13. The blank below this line may indicate a change of scene (cf. introd.), but it might
 also mean that there was some omission at this point; cf. l. 54.

18. Δωρίς: there is no doubt about the reading. Either Δωρίς is an adscript concern-
 ing the speaker (cf. 211) which has been incorporated into the text or we must suppose
 the loss of a foot at the end of the line.

23. There is a blank space before K in which there are no traces of ink, though K is
 clear enough; but it is possible that the ink has scaled off.

28. διμοιρίτης: the meaning of the word is explained in the marginal note; it is equivalent to the Latin *duplicarius*.

31. The line probably ran *νυνὶ δὲ ταῦτα πάντ' ἀτ[υχ]ῆς κ.τ.λ.*, as Blass suggests.

39-67. *A* (a young man). 'What . . . has swooped down on us and whence is it? . . . that he is a knave is evident.

B (tutor of *A*). How?

A. No honest man ever grew rich quickly. For while he is putting by and living thriftily, the man who lays a trap for his patient watchfulness gets everything.

B. How unjust it is what you say.

A. I swear by the sun that if the slave were not following me carrying the Thasian jars and there were no suspicion of my being drunk, I would at once pursue him in the market-place crying: "Fellow, last year you were poor and an outcast, but now you are rich. Say what trade you have been working at; answer me this, whence have you got all this? Won't you be off . . . somewhere else? Why do you teach men wrong? Why do you declare to us that there is profit in evil-doing?"

B. There is one character, my boy, only one which has brought utter ruin upon the world, and so I tell you. This alone it is that has ruined all the cities which you have seen laid waste, as I have now discovered. All the tyrants, all the great rulers, satraps, captains, founders, generals—I mean those who have come to complete ruin—this alone has been their destruction, namely the miserable parasites who attend them.

A. That is a violent speech; but I am not sure what is the meaning of this.

B. Any one might be so mistaken as to suppose the man who was intriguing against him to be his friend.

A. But if the intriguer is powerless?

B. Every one has power to do evil.'

34. The supposed point after *ΕΙ* may be a vestige of another letter.

39. *τί κ' αὖν* . . . would be suitable, but it would then be quite impossible to get two more feet into the remaining space, which seems in any case almost too short for the exigencies of the verse; but something may have dropped out.

42-4 = Stob. *Flor.* 10. 21. *οὐθείς* is also found in the Parisinus; *οὐδείς* Kock. *αὐτῷ* in l. 43 is the reading in Stobaeus, but *αὐτός* is a probable correction.

49-50 = Eustathius 1833. 58. Grotius' emendation of *νὺν* to *νυνί* is confirmed by the papyrus.

52. *ἐκ τῆς [πόλεως]* is an obvious restoration, but it seems impossible to get so much into the lacuna; *ἀγορᾶς* is also too long.

54. For a discussion of this passage see introd.

58. The vestiges would suit *ΟΙΚΟΝ*, and *ὁ νὺν κατ' οἶκον* is a just possible reading.

62. *ΑΝΗΡΗΚΑΝ* must be altered to *ἀνήρηκεν*; the mistake was a natural one, with *οὐ κολακεῖ* in the next line.

63. To find a restoration of this passage which at once suits the sense and the papyrus is not easy. *οἱ πάρεισιν* naturally suggests itself, but the letter after *Ο* is almost certainly *Υ*, not *Ι*, and before *ΕΙCΙΝ* the traces would be consistent with the tip of a letter like *Α*, *Λ* or *Μ* but hardly with *Ρ*. On the other hand, . . . *εἰσιν* seems a fatal obstacle to the alternative of making *ἄθλιοι* refer to the *τύραννοι*, &c., and reading *οὗς . . . αὐτοῖς ἄθλιοι*.

89. *λιμοί*: 'starvelings' as in Poseidipp. Fr. 26. 12 (Kock, iii. 343) *κνυμπορίστας πάντας ἢ λιμοῖς καλῶν*. For [*βίον*] *ἐχοί[τ]ες ἐν τ[αῖς] χερσίν* cf. the compounds *ἀποχειροβίωτος* and *ἀποχειρόβιος*.

92. ἐξήκονθ' : cf. Apollod. Epit. 5. 14 εἰς τοῦτον (the wooden horse) Ὀδ. εἰσελθεῖν πείθει πενήκοντα τοὺς ἀρίστους, ὥς δὲ ὁ τὴν μικρὰν γράψας Ἰλιάδα φησί, τριαχιλίου.

96. In the right margin opposite this line are traces of a marginal note, but it is hopelessly effaced. τῆ ἀῖθα is the name of the girl who is referred to by ἐμὴν in the previous line and is the subject of ll. 97-9. A paragraphus may be lost between ll. 95-6 and there is very likely a change of speaker at this point.

97. The final letter may be I, but some correction of the latter part of this line is in any case necessary. ἡ μὴ ἐλάμβανεν is a simple alteration.

102-6. Ἀστυνάκτος must have occurred in one of the lines lost at the top of this column, the note being added at the bottom to explain the reference. For Astyanax cf. Athen. x. 413 a Ἀστυνάξ δ' ὁ Μιλήσιος τρις Ὀλύμπια νικήσας κατὰ τὸ ἐξῆς παγκράτιον. Athenaeus tells a story of his eating a dinner which was intended for nine persons.

103. γ' : this abbreviation of γάρ is the same as that found in the papyrus of the Ἀθηναίων πολιτεία, like those for δέ and καί in l. 104.

104. Ἐρατοσθένης : i.e. Eratosthenes of Cyrene, the librarian at Alexandria under Euergetes I and Philopator. His Ὀλυμπιονίκαι is referred to by Athenaeus iv. 154 a, Diog. Laert. viii. 51.

105. The letter before τῶν was the figure giving the number of the book.

106. τὴν περίοδον : i.e. the four great public games ; cf. e.g. Athen. x. 415 a ἐνίκησε δὲ τὴν περίοδον δεκάκις.

410. RHETORICAL TREATISE.

25.4 × 23.2 cm.

PLATE IV (Cols. i-ii).

A treatise on Rhetoric in the Doric dialect is something of a surprise, but that such was the character of the work from which these fragments are derived admits of no doubt. The dialect, though occasionally corrupt, is the same as that found in the fragments of Archytas of Tarentum and other Pythagoreans, and in the anonymous Διαλέξεις Ἡθικαί, the composition of which is attributed to the beginning of the fourth century B.C. (cf. Mullach, *Fragm. Phil. Graec.* i. pp. 544 sqq. ; ii. pp. 9 sqq.). To the same period and probably to the same school the present treatise is also to be assigned. The precepts inculcated by the writer are of a simple and practical character, and their principal object is the attainment of μεγαλοπρέπεια, which, as we also know from Quintilian (*Inst. Or.* iv. 61-3), was specially included among the *narrandi* (cf. l. 15 ἐν δὲ [ταῖς] διαγίγσει) *virtutes* by certain authorities. Poetical quotations are freely introduced, a circumstance which forms another connecting link with the Διαλέξεις ; cf. Mullach, *op. cit.* i. pp. 546, 548.

The greater part of four consecutive columns is preserved, the first of these being practically complete. They are written in a neat, rather small, round uncial hand which we should place in the latter half of the second century A.D., though the contents of the *verso*, a series of epigrams (464) in a semi-uncial

hand, appear to be of a considerably later date. The columns lean over rather markedly to the right. Quotations usually, though not always, project by a letter or two into the left margin, as in other papyri of this period (cf. e.g. 220). The text is not very good, and in several passages the corruption has gone considerably deeper than the mere debasement of the dialect.

Col. i.

ΚΑΙΑΛΛΟΙΤΙΝΕΣ	καὶ ἄλλοι τινὲς
ΤΕΑΞΙΩCONTIKAI	τὲ ἀξιώσονται. καὶ
ΑΙΚΕΝΤΑΙΛΕΞΕΙΤΑΙ	αἱ κ' ἐν ταῖς λέξει ταῖς
ΑΡΧΑΣΤΑΝΕΦΟΔΩΝ	κατ' ἀρχὰς τῶν ἐφόδων
5 ΚΑΙΜΗΓΕΓΡΑΜΜΕ	καὶ μὴ γεγραμμέ-
ΝΑΙCΔΟΚΗΙΧΡΗCΘΑΙ	ναις δοκῇ χρησθαι
[.]ΑΛΛΑΙΔΙΩΤΙΚΑΙC	[τις] ἀλλὰ ιδιωτικαῖς
[.]ΙΜΗΔΕΝΩCΑΚΡΕΙ	[κα]ὶ μὴδὲν ὥς ἀκρι(βέως εἶ)-
[.]ΩCΑΛΛΩCΟΙΟΜΕ	[δ]ὼς ἀλλ' ὥς οἰόμε-
10 [.]ΟCΚΑΙΑΚΑΚΟΩCΛΕ	[ν]ος καὶ ἀκακοῶς λέ-
ΓΗΙ.ΗΤΩΝΔΗΚΑCΤΗ	γῃ ἢ τῶν δικαστή-
[.]ΩΝΗΑΛΛΩΝΤΙΝΩ	[ρ]ων ἢ ἄλλων τινῶν.
[.]ΝΜΕΝΤΟΙCΠΡΟΟΙΜΙ	[ἐ]ν μὲν τοῖς προοιμί-
[.]CΤΑΥΤΑΧΡΗCΙΜΑΕC	[οι]ς ταῦτα χρήσιμα ἐς
15 [.]ΙΕΙΚΕΙΑΝΕΝΤΙΕΝΔΕ	[ἐπ']εἰκειάν ἐντι. ἐν δὲ
[.]ΔΙΗΓΗCΕΙΤΩΝΠΡΑ	[ταῖς] διαγήσει τῶν πρα-
[.]ΑΤΩΝΩCΤΕΒΕΛΤΕΙ	[γμ]άτων ὥστε βέλτι-
[.]ΚΑΙΜΕΓΑΛΟΠΡΕΠΕ	[ον] καὶ μεγαλοπρέ-
[.]ΡΟΝΤΟΗΘΟCΦΑΙ	[στε]ρον τὸ ἥθος φαί-
20 [.]ΘΑΙΤΑΔΕΧΡΗCΙΜΑ	[νεσ]θαι τάδε χρήσιμα·
[.]ΜΗCΑCΘΑΙΔΕΙΤΟΝ	[μι]μήσασθαι δεῖ τὸν
[.]ΕΡΟΝΚΑΙΠΡΩΤΟΝ	... ον καὶ πρῶτον
[.]ΤΑΝΙCΧΥΝΜΙΚΚΑ	[μὲν] τὰν ἰσχὺν μικκὰν
[.]ΑΔΙΚΗΜΑΤΩΝ	... ἀδικημάτων
25 [.]ΝΩΕΝΤΟΙCΔΙ	... νο ἐν τοῖς δι-
[.]ΗΡΕCCΙΜΗΦΑ	[καστ]ήρεσσι μὴ φα-
[.]ΕΙΔΗΜΟΝΩC	... εἰ δὴ μόνως
[.]ΙCΜΕ[.]ΛΟΠΡΕ	... ις με[γα]λοπρε-

[. . .]ΡΟCΤ[.]ΕΝΚΑΙ
 30 [.]ΑΛΛΟΝ
 [. . .]ΤΟΥCΑΝΤΙΛΕ

[πέστε]ρος π[.]εν και
 αλλον
 τως αντιλε[γοντας]

Col. ii.

6 lines lost.

ΡΑΔ[.]
 ΠΕΡΙ[.]
 40 ΠΕΡΙΠ[.]
 ΠΑΝ[.] . [.]
 ΒΑΙΩΝ[.]
 ΑΝΩΜ . ΔΥ[.]
 ΠΕΡΙΩΝ[. .]ΜΕ[.]
 45 [.] . Ρ . [.]ΤΟΙCΔΙΛΛΕ[ΓΕΤΑΙ
 ΚΑΙΟΤΙΚΑΞΙΩΝΤΙ
 ΤΟΥΤΟΜΕΓΑΛΙΟΝ
 [.]ΥΔΕΙΧΡΥCΕΙΗΑΦΡΟ
 ΔΕΙΤΗΕΙΔΟCΕΡΙΖΟΙ
 55 [.]ΥΔΟCΑΛΙΝΟCΟΥΔΟC
 ΑΦΗΤΟΡΟCΟΥΔΟCΑ
 ΘΗΒΑΙCΑΙΓ[.]ΤΙΑC
 ΚΑΙΟCΑΨΑΜ[.]ΟCΤΕ
 ΚΟΝΙCΤΕΠΑΡΑΔΕΙ
 55 ΓΜΑΤΑΔΕΟΙΟ[. . .]
 ΡΑΝΩΕCΤΗ[.]
 ΚΑΙΕΠΙΧΘΟ[.]
 ΚΑΙCΟΦΟΚΛΗ[.]
 ΤΕΙ[.]ΝΟΥΔΕ[.]
 60 Α . ΑΦΑΝ[.]
 [.] .]ΑΠΑΡΑ[.]

περι των . . . με . .
 . . ρ . . τοις διαλέγεται,
 και οτι κ' αξιωντι,
 τουτο μεγα, ολον
 "[ο]υδ' ει χρυσειη 'Αφρο-
 διτη ειδος εριζοι,"
 "[ο]υδ' οσα λαϊνος ουδδς
 αφητορος," "ουδ' οσα
 Θηβας Αιγ[υπ]τίας"
 και "οσα ψαμ[αθ]ος τε
 κονις τε." παραδει-
 γματα δε οιο[ν] "ου-
 ρανφ̄ εστη[ριξε] κάρη]
 και ἐπὶ χθο[νι] βαίνει,"
 και Σοφοκλη[s] . . .

Col. iii.

[.]ΝΗ[.] .
 [.] . [.]ΤΟΝ
 [.]ΥΜΑΖΟΜΕΝ

. θα[υμάζομεν]

65 [.] ΠΕΡΟΙΜΑΝ
 [.] ΕΙΣΤΕΚΑΙΚΛΥ
 [.] ΑΛΟΠΡΕΠΕΣΤΕ
 [.] ΑΝΤΑΦΑΙΝΕ
 [.] ΕΛΛΩΝΔΙ
 70 [.] ΜΕΝΑΤ[.]
 [.] ΔΕΜΗΔΕΝΑΙΣΧΡΟΝ
 [.] ΗΔΕΠΡΟΠΕΤΕΣΑΔΕ
 [.] ΛΕΓΕΚΑΙΓΑΡΜΙΚ
 Κ[.] Π[.] ΕΠΕΣΤΟΤΟΙΟΥ
 75 [. .] Κ[.] ΙΑΚΟΛΑΣΤΩ
 ΗΘΕΟΣΤΟΔΕΦΕΥΓΕΙΝ
 ΤΑΣΑΙΣΧΡΟΛΟΓΙΑΣΜΕ
 Γ[.] ΟΠΡΕΠΕΣΚΑΙΚΟΣ
 ΜΟΣΛΟΓΩ· ΜΕΤΑΔΕ
 80 ΤΑΥΤΑΠΑΝΤΑΟΤΙΔΙΑ
 [.] ΑΣΜΕΤΑΤΙΝΟΣΥΠΟ
 [.] ΕΣΙΟΣΧΡΗΤΑΣΔΙΑ
 [.] ΕΟΚΑΙΔΙΑΝΟΙΑΣΧΔΙ
 . [.] ΩΜΕΝΟΣΤΙΗΟΙ
 85 [. .] ΝΟΣΧΗΡΗΙΖΩ[.]
 [. . .] Ω[.] Μ[.]
 6 lines lost.

Col. iv.

ΤΙΝΟΙΣΤΩΣΔΕΠΟ
 ΝΗΡΩΣΜΕΜΦΟΜΕ
 95 ΝΟΣΟΠΟΙΟΣΧΡΗΝΑΙΤ[.]
 ΚΑΙΕΠΑΙΝΗ[.]
 ΦΗΗΜΕΙΣΗ[.] ΣΗΑ[.]
 ΣΠΑΖΗΗΧΡΗΖΟΙΤΟΙ
 ΟΥΤΟΝΤΕΥΠΟΛΑΜΨΟΥ-
 100 ΤΑΙΗΜΕΝ· ΟΙΓΑΡΠΟΛ
 ΛΟΙΤΩΣΟΜΟΙΩΣΑΠΟ

. περοι μὰν
 εἰς τε καὶ κλυ-
 . . . μεγ] αλοπρεπέστε-
 ρον . . . π] ἄντα φαίνε-

. . . ἔ-]
 [τι] δὲ μὴδὲν αἰσχρὸν
 [μ]ηδὲ προπετὲς ἀδέ-
 [ως] λέγε· καὶ γὰρ μικ-
 κ[ο]π[ρ]επὲς τὸ τοιοῦ-
 [τον] κ[α]ὶ ἀκολάστω
 ἦθεος· τὸ δὲ φεύγεν
 τὰς αἰσχρολογίας με-
 γ[αλ]οπρεπὲς καὶ κόσ-
 μος λόγῳ. μετὰ δὲ
 ταῦτα πάντα ὅτι δια-
 γῇ μετὰ τινος ὑπο-
 [θ]έσιος χρηστὰς δια-
 [γ]έο καὶ διανοίας ἢ δι-
 . . . ὀμένός τι ἢ οἰ-
 [όμε]νος ἢ χρήσιμ[ον]

πινοις, τὼς δὲ πο-
 νηρὼς μεμφόμε-
 νος· ὁποίως
 κα ἐπαινῇ[ς] ἢ μέμ-
 φηι ἢ μισῇ[ς] ἢ ἀ-
 σπάζηι { ἢ χρήζοι } τοι-
 οῦτον τὲ ὑπολαμψοῦν-
 ται ἦμεν. τοὶ γὰρ πολ-
 λοὶ τὼς ὁμοίως ἀπο-

ΔΕΧΟΝΤΑΙΩΔΗΚΑΙ
 ΤΗΝΟΕ[.]ΡΗΤ[.]ΟΥ
 ΠΩΠΟΤΗ[.]...ΓΕΙ
 105 ΝΩΣΚΩΝ[.]...ΟΥ
 ΤΟΕΣΤΙΝ[.]...ΗΔΕ
 ΤΑΙΕΥΝΩ[.]...ΛΕ
 ΤΟΥΤΟΙΣ[.]...
 ΕΣΤΙΑΚΑ[.]...
 110 ΜΕΝΕΣΤ[.]...
 ΛΕΓΕΝΟΝ[.]...
 ΠΙΕΙΚΕΩ[.]...
 ΠΡΕΠΕΣΦΑ[.]...
 ΚΟΙΝΟΝΔΕ[.]...
 115 ΠΙΘΑΝΟΤΗΤ[.]...
 ΟΝΓΑΡΜΗΕΠΙΒΕ[.]
 ΛΕΥΚΗΜΕΝΑΛΛΑΥ
 ΤΟΣΧΕΔΙΑΖΕΝΤΟΕ
 ΠΙΛΕΛΑΣΘΑΙΕΣΤΙΔΟ
 120 ΚΑΜΙΝΤΑΤΟΙΑΥΤΑΠΟ
 ΤΙΠΟΙΩΣΟΧΧΕΔ[.]
 ΔΕΚΑΙΠΑΝΤΟΕΙΡ[.]
 Ν[.]ΚΟΝΜΕΓΑΛ[.]...]

δέχονται. ὦ δὴ καὶ
 τῇνο εἰ[.]ρητ[αι] “οὐ
 πώποτ’ ἡ[ρώτησα.] γι-
 νώσκων [ὅτι τοι]οῦ-
 τός ἐστιν [οἷσπερ] ἥδε-
 ται ξυνώ[ν].” ...
 τούτοις ...
 ἐστι ...
 μὲν ἐστ[ι] ...
 λέγεν οἷ[.] ... ἐ-
 πεικέω[ς] μεγαλο-
 πρεπὲς φα[ίνε]ται
 κοινὸν δ’ [ἐστὶ] ποτὶ
 πιθανότατ[α τοῦτο] οἷ-
 ον γὰρ μὴ ἐπιβε[βω]-
 λευκῇμεν ἀλλ’ αὐ-
 τοσχεδιάζεν τὸ ἐ-
 πιελαῶσθαι. ἔστι δ’ ὁ-
 κα ... τὰ τοιαῦτα πο-
 τιποιέο. σχεδὸν
 δὲ καὶ πᾶν τὸ εἰρ[ω]-
 ν[ι]κὸν μεγαλ[οπρε]πές

1-20. ‘... And others will esteem you; and also if in speaking at the commencement of the address of ingratiation one appears to use common phrases and not written ones, and speaks of nothing as a matter of certain knowledge, but of opinion and hearsay, whether from the jury or others. Such are the points in the exordium which are useful as giving an impression of fairness. In the narration of facts, the following directions serve to produce an appearance of a superior and high-minded character.’

1. καὶ τοὶ δικαστῆρες perhaps preceded; cf. ll. 11-2.

4. ἐφάδων: ἔφοδος was a technical term in Rhetoric, corresponding to the Latin *insinuatio*; cf. Cic. *De Invent.* i. 15. 20 ‘insinuatio est oratio quaedam dissimulatione et circumfusione obscure subiens auditoris animum,’ and *ad Herenn.* i. 7. 11.

5. καὶ is not wanted and is perhaps corrupt, and the construction of γεγραμμέναις is difficult. Something may have dropped out as in the previous line; cf. also l. 8.

22. The letter before ON must apparently be either Ε or Θ.

29. The doubtful Π may be Η and ἡ[μ]εν is a possibility.

31. Above the supposed Ε at the end of the line is what looks like a curved stroke

in different ink which might represent Y or X; but it is perhaps meaningless. The only other abbreviation used in the papyrus is the horizontal line representing N.

38 sqq. The intelligible part of this column is mostly occupied with quotations. Lines 48-54 are from *Iliad* ix. 389, 404, 381, and 385, and ll. 55-7 from *Il.* iv. 443; *καλλος ἐρίζοι* is the ordinary reading in ix. 389 instead of *εἶδος ἐρίζοι*. We have not succeeded in identifying the citation from Sophocles in ll. 59 sqq.

71-85. 'Moreover take no pleasure in making indecorous or insolent statements, for that is mean and a sign of an intemperate disposition, while the avoidance of abuse is a mark of high-mindedness and an ornament of speech. Next to this, in all your narration you must have a good object and a good intent, whether you are . . . or expressing an opinion or desire.'

72. ἀδε[ωσ]: or ἀδε(ε)[ωσ] or ἀδε[ωσ].

80-1. ΔΙΑ[.JAC cannot be right, and δια[γ]η (= διαγγη) is a simple correction, which is confirmed by δια[γ]εο in l. 82.

93-107. ' . . . and blaming the wicked. For men will suppose that you resemble whomever you praise, or blame, or hate, or welcome. For most men approve of their like. Hence the saying "I never asked, knowing that he is like those whose company he enjoys."'

93. ἀνθρῶ[πινοῖς]?

95-6. Something has evidently gone wrong with the text; Blass suggests *ὁποῖως γάρ θην αἰεὶ κα*. At the end of the line C might be read instead of IT.

98. XPHZOI must be a mistake, and probably more is wrong than the mood, for *χρήζης* in the sense of *χρῆ* 'converse with' does not seem very likely. Perhaps XPHZOI has got in here from l. 85.

103-7. The quotation is from Euripides' *Phoenix*, Fr. 803. 7-9 ὅστις δ' ὁμιλῶν ἦδεταῖ κακοῖς ἀνὴρ οὐ πάποτ' ἠρώτησα κ.τ.λ.

114-23. 'This conduces also to persuasiveness; for to have forgotten produces credit for absence of malice and for spontaneousness. Occasionally this is to be simulated. And almost all irony is high-minded.'

120. MIN is here a *vox nihili*; no doubt it represents some other word or words, though the sentence would run quite well if MIN be simply omitted. Blass suggests *ἔστι δ' ὅκα μηδ' εἰδῆμεν τὰ τοιαῦτα*, 'Sometimes pretend not to have even a knowledge of such things.'

122. εἰρ[ω]ν[ι]κόν is used in the Aristotelian sense as opposed to *ἀλαζονεία*.

411. LIFE OF ALCIBIADES.

21.6 x 18 cm.

A leaf from a vellum codex of a historical work, written in double columns in a calligraphic uncial hand resembling that of the Codex Alexandrinus. The fragment was found with papyri of the later Byzantine period but is certainly not later than the sixth century, and more probably it is to be assigned to the fifth.

The leaf is a good deal worm-eaten, and the writing being on very thin vellum has a tendency to come through on to the other side. There are no lection-marks of any kind, nor are initial letters of lines larger than the rest. N at the end of a line is generally represented by a horizontal stroke.

The fragment, which despite its brevity covers the period from the mutilation of the Hermæ to Alcibiades' arrival at Sparta, clearly belongs to a life of Alcibiades rather than to a general history. This fact, coupled with the use of such a phrase as *ἐξορχήσασθαι τὰ μυστήρια* (ll. 25-6), which is found in Lucian, Achilles Tatius, and other late writers, indicates that the work in question was a composition of the Roman period. Thucydides is the principal authority, several phrases from him being incorporated; but that he was not the exclusive source is shown by the mention of *Πουλυντίων*, whose name is recorded by Andocides (*De Mysteriis*, p. 7, Reiske) and Plutarch (*Alcib.* 19, 22), but not by Thucydides; cf. l. 57, where the papyrus comes into conflict with Thucydides. There is no reason to think that the writer borrowed from the much more detailed narrative of Plutarch, whom it is as likely as not that he preceded.

So brief an account of well-known events could hardly be expected to contain new historical information, but the papyrus is interesting as a specimen of one of Plutarch's rivals in the sphere of biography who must have enjoyed considerable vogue for a time. There are a few errors on the part of the copyist, but the style of the fragment is fairly good. The sympathies of the writer were obviously on the side of Alcibiades.

Recto.

Col. i.

3 lines lost.

α[15 letters

5 ουκα[.

ως ου [.] μο

νον α[λλα] και συν[θε

την [τυρ]αννιδ[α] ν[ο]

μιζο[ν]τες αναμι

10 μ[ν]ησκομ[ε]νοι γε

[τ]ης Πεισιστρατιδω-

ρ

ωμοτητος μηνυτοis

μεγαλοis εξητουv

Col. ii.

[κ]αι κριθηvαι [προ] του

στρ[α]τηγε[ιν] ηξι[ου]

ο[ι] κατηγορ[οι] δε εν[ι]

στ[α]ντο μη [κατασχ]ειv

35 κελευv[τες] τας ει[λ]

πιδας τη[s] . s

μη ασπ[ι] π[αρα]

σκευη α[.] . ε

[.]ον πρω[τον] μεv δ[η]

40 [ε]πειδη Μ[αντινεις] τ[ε]

και Αργει[οι]

της ει[.] συνε

τους ταυτα δεδρακο
 15 τας μαλιστα δε Αλκι
 βιαδην εν υποψιαι(ς)
 ειχον εκ του φρονη
 ματος και του αξιω
 ματος τεκμαιρομε
 20 νοι τον ανδρα μεγα
 λων ορεγεσθαι πρα
 γματων και τις εμη
 νυσε περι των μεν
 Ερμων ουδεν φασκω-
 25 δε εξορχησασθαι τα
 μυστηρια εν τη Που
 λυτιωνος οικια το-
 Αλκιβιαδην ο δε
 εις την εκκλησιαν
 30 παριων απελογειτο

στρατ[ενον
 και τοτε [εν τα][s] Α[θη
 45 ναις πα[ρησα]ν επει
 τα ειδο[τες] ως οι Αθη
 ναιοι ε[πιθ]υμουν
 τες τ[ου εκ]πλειν εις
 Σικε[λιαν] της αιτίας
 50 αφ[σο]υσιν ουτως
 ουν εκπλευσας Αλκι
 βιαδης πολλα και δι
 καια μαρτυραμεν[ο]ς
 μη προσεchein ταις
 55 διαβολαις κατεπλευ
 σεν ες Σικελιαν και
 σχεδον πασας τας ε
 κει κατοικουσας [π]ο
 λεις εποιησατο φιλας
 60 δια την πρ[ο]ς αυτον

Verso.

Col. iii.

ξεγ[ιαν] τε και [σ]υστα[σιν
 ετ[ι δε αυτ]ου περι Κατα
 {τα}[ν]ην στ[ρατε]υον[τ]ος
 ε[πεγ]εν[ε]το τα ε[ν τ]αις
 65 Α[θη]ναις οι γαρ συκο
 φα[νται διε]βαλλον αυ
 το[ν παλιν ει]ς την εκ
 κ[λη]σιαν ἐπι[τ]η περι
 [κοπη των] Ερμων κ[αι
 70 [.] συλλογω . [.
 [.] προς τας
 [.]αντων
 [. . .] . . [. .] Αθηναιοι

Col. iv.

3 lines lost.

τ . [13 letters] α
 95 κε[. . . . Θου]ριων
 κακειθ[ε]ν [απ]οδρας εις
 [Πε]λοπον[η]σον επλευ
 [σε]ν αυτομ[ατο]ς προς
 [Α]κεδαιμον[ι]ους και
 100 παρ εκ[ε]ινοις εδ[η]μη
 γορησεν υστερον
 των κακων ων ειρ
 γασατο την Πελοπο-
 νησον απολογουμε
 105 νος οτι παριδοντες

	[. . .] . . . [.] τινας εδη	αυτον ετιμησαν Νι
75	σαν και [Ανδο]κιδην	κιαν και προτρεπο
	τον ρητ[ορα] επεμπο-	μενος τους Λακεδαι
	δε επ Αλκ[ιβια]δην	μονιους βοηθειν
	νανν την [καλο]νμε	110 τοις Σικελιωταις αν
	νην Σαλα[μινια]ν ητις	τικρυς λεγων ως ει
80	ειωθε(ι) ταχ[ιστη] τ ους	μη βοηθησουσι κα
	α και δημοσ[ι]ας [ε]πι	τα ταχος πληρωσου
	μελειας τυγα[ν]ο[υ]σ[α]	σιν οι Αθηναιοι τας
	προς τας οξειας ὕπη	115 ελπιδας και πλει
	ρετειν χρειας Αλκι	στην ορμην ενεβα
85	βιαδης δε καλουμενός	λε τοις Λακεδαιμο
	εις κρισιν ηπιστατο	νιοις ετ[ι] δε και συν
	προκατεγνωκοτας	εβουλευσε Δεκελει
	η[δ]η τους Αθηναιους	120 αν επιτειχισαι τοις
	και την απολογιαν	
90	ουκ αναμενοντας	

‘(The Athenians) considering that (the mutilation of the Hermae) was not only an (outrage) but a conspiracy to establish a tyranny, and recalling the brutality of the Pisistratidae, sought to discover the authors by large rewards for information. Alcibiades in particular they held in suspicion, judging from his pride and position that he was ambitious of a great career. An informer gave evidence in no way bearing on the Hermae, but accusing Alcibiades of having betrayed the mysteries at the house of Pulytion; whereupon Alcibiades came forward in the assembly and defended himself, demanding that the case should be decided before he became general. But his accusers resisted, urging the people not to delay the prospects of the (expedition) . . . , firstly because both Mantineans and Argives were joining in the expedition (owing to him) and were already present at Athens, and secondly because they knew that the Athenians, in their desire to start for Sicily, would acquit him. Such were the circumstances under which Alcibiades departed, after making many just protestations that they should pay no attention to slanders; and having sailed to Sicily he won over nearly all the cities settled there through their friendly intercourse and relations with him. But while he was still with the expedition at Catana, the events at Athens intervened; for his calumniators again accused him before the ecclesia of the mutilation of the Hermae, . . . the Athenians imprisoned amongst others Andocides the orator, and sent to fetch Alcibiades the ship called the Salaminia, which, on account of its great speed and because it was equipped at the public charge, was usually employed on sudden emergencies. Alcibiades however, on being summoned for trial, was aware that the Athenians had already condemned him in advance and would not wait for his defence, and (accompanied the Salaminia as far as) Thurii, where he took flight and sailed to the Peloponnese, voluntarily surrendering himself to the Lacedaemonians. There he subsequently made

a public speech in defence of the injuries which he had inflicted upon the Peloponnese, alleging that they (the Lacedaemonians) had passed him over and honoured Nicias, and urging the Lacedaemonians to help the Sicilians at once on the ground that, if they failed to assist them speedily, the hopes of the Athenians would be realized. He inspired the Lacedaemonians with the strongest desire for war, and further advised them to make a fortified outpost of Decelea . . .

9-12. Cf. the digression of Thucydides upon the Pisistratidae at this point (vi. 54-9).

μηνυτροις μεγάλοις: cf. Thuc. vi. 27. 2.

16. υποψιαί(ς): ὑποψία is less likely, both on account of the hiatus and because iota adscript is elsewhere omitted in this MS., as usual at this period.

23. περι των μεν Ερμων ουδεν: cf. Thuc. vi. 28. 1.

25-7. Cf. introd.

34. κατασχέιν: cf. Thuc. vi. 29. 3 κατασχέιν τὴν ἀναγωγὴν.

40-3. Cf. Thuc. vi. 29. 3 and 61. 5 οὐχ ἤκιστα τοὺς Μαντινίας καὶ Ἀργείους βουλόμενοι παραμέναι, δι' ἐκένου νομίζοντες πεισθῆναι σφίσι ξυστρατεύειν, and Plut. Alcib. 19. The doubtful ι in l. 42 can be κ.

48. ουεκ is a little short for the lacuna, in which there is room for one or two more letters.

57. σχεδον πασας: this statement is in flagrant contradiction with the facts recorded by Thucydides, vi. 50-2, from which it appears that the Athenians met with little support. Cf. Plut. Alcib. 20 πλεύσας εἰς Σικελίαν προσηγάγετο Κατάνην ἄλλο δὲ οὐδὲν ἐπραξε μετά-πεμπτος κ.τ.λ.

61. Above this line are some traces of ink, perhaps the number of the page.

62-3. Cf. Thuc. vi. 53. 1.

74. The vestiges do not suit [αλλ]ους [τε]. Possibly [και] ἀλλ[ους], though this too is not satisfactory.

80. ειωθε(ι): the correction seems necessary, for the perfect used as a present could not be true of the period at which this work was composed. The fact that the Salaminia required an explanation is an indication of the late date. The division ουσ|α is noticeable, for the MS. elsewhere follows the ordinary rules concerning division of words.

95. Θου|ρων: cf. Thuc. vi. 61. 6.

96. αποδρας εις Πελοποννησον: cf. Plut. Alcib. 23.

101. υστερον: cf. Thuc. vi. 88. 9 Ἀλκιβιάδης . . . περαιωθεὶς τότε εὐθὺς ἐπὶ πλοίου φορητικοῦ ἐκ τῆς Θουρίας ἐς Κυλλήνην τῆς Ἠλείας πρῶτον, ἔπειτα ὕστερον ἐς τὴν Λακεδαίμονα. There is some corruption in ll. 101-2, for των κακων has nothing to govern it. Unless the loss of some words be supposed, the simplest alteration is to read υπερ for υστερον.

105-7. Cf. Thuc. vi. 89. 2 (speech of Alcibiades) καὶ διατελούντ' ἐμὸν προθύμου ὑμεῖς πρὸς Ἀθηναίους καταλασσόμενοι τοῖς μὲν ἐμοῖς ἐχθροῖς δύναμιν δι' ἐκείνων πράξαντες, ἐμοὶ δὲ ἀτιμίαν περιέθετε. Thucydides does not mention Nicias by name in this passage; for the circumstances see Plut. Alcib. 14.

107-20. Cf. Plut. Alcib. 23 ἐν μὲν εὐθὺς ἐξεργάσατο μέλλοντας καὶ ἀναβαλλομένους βοηθεῖν Συρακούσιους ἐγείρας καὶ παροξύνας πέμψαι Γύλιππον . . . , ἕτερον δὲ κινεῖν τὸν αὐτὸθεν πόλεμον ἐπὶ τοῦς Ἀθηναίους, τὸ δὲ τρίτον καὶ μέγιστον ἐπιτελεῖσθαι Δεκέλειαν, the source of both passages being of course Thuc. vi. 89-92.

412. JULIUS AFRICANUS, *Κεστοί*.

26.5 x 22.3 cm.

PLATE V.

Two columns containing the conclusion of Book xviii of the *Κεστοί* of Julius Africanus, as is expressly stated in the title preserved at the end. This title clears up at once two moot points concerning the *Κεστοί*. Joseph Scaliger (*Animadv. in Chron. Eusebii*) in spite of the unanimous testimony of antiquity distinguished between Sextus Africanus the author of the *Κεστοί* and Julius Africanus the Christian chronographer and friend of Origen. This view has found little favour with subsequent critics, and is controverted at length by H. Gelzer in his recent book on Africanus. Its baselessness is finally proved by this papyrus, whose testimony must carry the utmost weight in view of the fact that it is separated by little more than a generation at most from the *floruit* of the author. The chronological work of Africanus was brought down to the year 221, and the *Κεστοί* are supposed to have been composed subsequently; while this MS. is anterior to the year 275-6, since on the *verso* is a document dated in the reign of the Emperor Tacitus. Secondly, a doubt has existed as to the number of the books of the *Κεστοί*, which is given by Photius (*Bibl.* 34) as fourteen, and Suidas (s.v. Ἀφρικ.) as twenty-four; Syncellus, who speaks of the work as *ἐννεάβιβλος* (p. 359 b), no doubt only knew it in an incomplete copy. The similarity of the figures fourteen and twenty-four naturally suggested that the difference was due to a clerical error, but there was no reason to prefer one to the other. We now know that there was an 18th book, and may accordingly accept the higher figure.

The *Κεστοί* are described by Suidas as *οἰονεὶ φυσικά, ἔχοντα ἐκ λόγων τε καὶ ἐπαοιδῶν καὶ γραπτῶν τιῶν χαρακτήρων ἰάσεις τε καὶ ἀλλοίων ἐνεργειῶν*. A number of excerpts have survived dealing with military matters, the care of animals, and agriculture (*Math. Vet.*, ed. Thievenot, pp. 275 sqq.), and on the latter subject large extracts are embodied in the *Geoponica*. The present fragment exhibits another side of this multifarious composition, being concerned with a question of literary criticism. The author produces twenty-seven lines, mainly consisting of a magical incantation, which were to be inserted in the passage in Book xi of the *Odyssey* where Odysseus calls up the ghosts. For these new lines definite authority is cited, references being given to MSS. in Palestine, Caria, and Rome; and a doubt is expressed as to whether this 'precious product' was cut out by the poet himself or by the Pisistratidae! We do not suppose that Homeric scholars will be inclined to accept either of those alternatives. They will

perhaps be more likely to include this passage in the list of things which ὁ ἀνὴρ οὗτος ἐν τοῖς Κεστοῖς αὐτοῦ τερατολογεῖ καὶ διέξεισι (Psellus, *ap. Math. Vct.* p. xvi). Nevertheless it affords a valuable insight into the writer's methods and standards of criticism; and though we may not admire his judgement, there is no ground for suspecting his facts. Of especial interest is the statement (ll. 65-8) that he had arranged a library in the Pantheon at Rome 'for the Emperor.' According to Syncellus (*loc. cit.*) the Κεστοί were dedicated to Severus Alexander, from which Gelzer has inferred that Africanus was on a footing of friendship with the imperial house, a conclusion to which the new autobiographical detail of the papyrus gives strong support.

The MS. is written in well-formed round uncials of medium size, and being dated within such narrow limits, its palaeographical evidence is of much value. To suppose an interval of ten years between the writing of the literary text on the *recto* and the cursive document on the *verso* would be a very moderate estimate. The date of the former therefore is fixed with certainty in the period between the years 225 and 265 A.D. But notwithstanding its proximity in time to the author the text is far from being a good one; several lines of the incantation especially are clearly corrupt, and one of them is incomplete. In these circumstances little weight can be attached to the variants from the ordinary text in the quotations from Homer. The two columns are numbered at the top respectively 35 and 36; thirty-four columns had therefore preceded, and if, as is most probable, these all formed part of the same book, its total length would be about 1530 lines.

Col. i.

λε

- [τους δ ἐπει ευχῶλησ]ι λειτῆσι τε εθνεα νεκρων
 [ελλισαμην τα] δε μηλα λαβων απεδειροτομησα
 [ες βοθρον ρεε] δ αιμα κελαινεφεσ αι δ αγεροντο
 [ψυχαι υπ εξ ερε]βους νεκων κατατεθνηωτων
 5 [νυμφαι τ ηιθ]εοι τε πολυτλητοι τε γεροντες
 [παρθενικαι τ] αταλαι νεοπενθε αωτον εχουσαι
 [πολλοι δ ου]ταμενο[ι χ]αλκηρεσσιν εγχειησιν
 [ανδρ]ες [Αρ]ηιφατοι β[εβ]ρωτωμενα τευχε εχοντες
 [οι πολλ]οι παρα βοθρον εφοιτων αλλοθεν αλλος
 10 [θεσπε]σι η ιαχη εμε δε χλωρον δεος ηρει
 [αυταρ] εγω ξιφος οξυ ε[ρ]υσσαμενος παρα μηρου
 [ημην ο]υδ ειων νεκων αμενηνα καρηνα

[αιματο]ς ασσον ιμεν και αμειβομενος επος ηυδων
[] α δει ποιησαι ιρηκεν

- 15 [ω ποτα]μοι και γαια και οι υπενερθε καμοντ^α[ε]ς
[ανθρω]πους τ[ι]νεσθον οτις κ' επ[ι]ορκον ομοσση
[υμεις] μαρτυροι εστε τελειετε δ αμμιν αοι[δη]ν
[ηλθον] χρησομενος ως αν εις γαιαν ικανω
[Τηλεμ]αχου γε ον ελειπον επι κολποισι τ[ι]θη[ν]ης
20 [τεκνο]ν εμον τοιη γαρ αριστη ην επαοιδ[η]
[] α δει επασαι λεγει
[κλυθι] μοι ειμειτης και επισκοπος ευσπε[. . .] Αν[ου]βι
[.] αυλλιπαι παρευνετασσι θοει[. . .]
[. . . .] μει αρπαξ δευρ ευπλοκαμε χθονιε Ζευ
25 [. . . .] αι δωσαμενοι κρηνηατε τηνδ επαοιδην
[. . . .] η και χθων πυρ αφθιτον Ηλιε Τειταν
[. . . .] ια και Φθα και Φρην Ομοσσω
[. . . .] θω πολυτειμε και Αβλαναθω πολυολβε
[. . . .] οδρακοντοζωνες εισι χθον εβη καρειη
30 [. . . .] α περιβωτε το κοσμικον ουννομα δαιμων
[. . . .] και χοριω και φωτ ανεμων παγεραρκτων
[. . . .] αι ενκρατεια παντων προφερεστερ εμοι φρην
[. . . .] ωριεν και φασιε και σισυω
[. . . .] νρα και απηβιοτα και πυρ καλλιαικα
35 [. . . .] . s χθονια και ουρανια και ονειρω
[. . . .] s και σειριο
[τοιαδ]ε μεν παρα βοθρον εγων η[ι]σα παραστας
[ευ γαρ] εμεμνημην Κιρκης υποθημοσυνα[ω]ν
[η τοσα φ]αρμακα οιδεν οσ[α] τρεφει ευρεια χθων
40 [ηλθεν δε] μεγα κυμα λεον[τ]ομαχον Αχεροντος
[Κωκυτος] Αηθη τε Πολυφλεγεθων τε μεγαιστος
[και νεκ]υν στολος αμ[φι]παριστατο και παρα βοθρον
[πρωτη δ]ε ψυχη Ελληνορος ηλθεν εταιρου

Col. ii.

λς

- τα θ ἐξῆς εἰτ οὖν οὕτως ἐχον
 45 αὐτος ο ποιητης το περιερ
 γον της επιρρησεως τα αλλα
 δια το της υποθεσεως αξιω
 μα σεσιωπηκεν· εἰθ οι Πεισι
 στρατιδαι τα αλλα συνραπτο-
 50 τες ἐπη ταυτα απεσχισαν
 αλλοτρια του στοιχου της
 ποιησεως ἐκεί[να] επικρει
 ναντες ἐπ[ι] πολλο[ι]ς ἐγνω-
 ῖατε κυημα [πο]λυτε[λ]εστε
 55 ρον ἐπεικ[η]ς αὐτος ἐνταυ
 θoi κατεταξα την τε [-]ην συν
 πασαν υποθεσιν ανακει
 μενην ἐ[ν]ρεσεις ἐν τε τοις
 αρχειοις της αρχαιας π[α]τρι
 60 δος κολων[ε]ιας [Α]ιλιας Καπι
 τωλεινης της Παλαιστεινη[ς]
 καν Νυση της Καριας μεχρι
 δε του τρισκαιδεκατου ἐν Ρω
 μη προς ταις Αλεξανδρου
 65 θερμαις ἐν τη ἐν Πανθειω
 βιβλιοθηκη τη καλη ην αυ
 τος ηρχιτεκτονησα τω Σ'ε
 βαστω.

Ἰουλιου Αφρικανου

70

κεστο̅

ιη̅

1-10 = *Odyssey* xi. 34-43.4. *καταθενωτων*: so most MSS.; *καταθενωτων* Lud(wich) with Aristarchus.

5-10. These lines were athetized by Zenod., Aristoph., and Aristarch., and are printed in small type by Lud.

6. νεοπνευθε αωτων: νεοπνευθε θυμόν MSS. αωτων is unintelligible here.

7. χ]αλκηρεσαν: the doubled σσ is also found in FGT; l. χ]αλκηρεσιν.

9. παρα: so T; περί other MSS., Lud.

11-3 = *Odyssey* xi. 48-50.

11. [αυταρ] εγω: the same reading has been entered by the second hand in the margin of F; αὐτός δέ other MSS., Lud.

13. και αμειβομενος επος ηυδων: πριν Τειρεσίω πυθέσθαι MSS. The variation of the papyrus provides an introductory formula for what follows.

14. Neither here nor in l. 21 was apparently anything written before a *δει*, which in both cases is preceded by a short blank space.

15-7 = *Iliad* iii. 278-80, with ω for καί in l. 15, and τελειετε κ.τ.λ. replacing φυλάσσετε δ' ὄρκια πιστά.

16. τ[ι]νεσθον: τίνυσθον (so Lud.) or τίνυσσθον is the reading of most MSS.; τίνεσθον does not seem to be found elsewhere.

19. Cf. *Il.* vi. 467 ὁ πάς πρὸς κῆπον ἐξώνοιο τιθήνης.

22-36. For this incantation cf. the magical papyri, e.g. Wessely, *Denkschr. der Wien. Akad. Ph.-Hist. Cl.* xxxvi, xlii; Kenyon, *Catalogue* I. pp. 62 sqq. But the analogy does not extend beyond a general resemblance and the identity of a few names, e.g. *Λνουβις* and *Φθα*. *Αβλαναθω* in l. 28 is a variant of the form common in the magical papyri *Αβλαναθαλθα*. *εισι* in l. 29 is a mistake for *επι*. In l. 31 *πατερ αρκτων* can be read.

39 = *Il.* xi. 741, with *ουδεν* for *ἦδη*.

43 = *Od.* xi. 51.

44-68. '... and so on. Whether then the superfluous part of the incantation stood thus and the poet himself passed over it on account of the dignity of his work, or whether the Pistratidae, when they combined the various poems, cut out these verses judging them to be alien to the march of the poem, I should much like to know. I have myself set them down here as being a most valuable product of the epic art (?); and you will find the whole work preserved in the archives of your (?) old home, the colony of Aelia Capitolina in Palestine, at Nysa in Caria, and as far as the thirteenth verse at Rome, near the baths of Alexander, in the beautiful library at the Pantheon which I myself designed for the Emperor.'

44-6. This passage may be construed as it stands by taking *εχον* . . . *το περιεργον* as an accusative absolute, but the order is then very awkward, and *τα αλλα* ought not to mean the same as *το περιεργον*. A much simpler construction is obtained if *τα αλλα* is omitted; the words may have come in from l. 49.

53-4. We take *εγνω* as equivalent to *αν εγνω*, and suppose the loss of a conjunction after *ατε*; *δε* may easily have dropped out after the preceding *τε*. Perhaps the sign in the margin opposite this line indicates that there was some omission.

55. *επεικη*], if right, is for *ἐπικ[η]*], sc. *τέχνης* or *ποιήσεως*. Blass suggests *ἐπ(ε)ικ[ω]*], but there does not seem to be room in the lacuna for *ω*.

56. This is another difficult passage. The letter after *τ* in the mutilated word must be either *ε* or *ο*, and there is not room for more than one letter, which ought not to be a broad one, in the lacuna; *την τ ε[μ]ην* is therefore not suitable. Blass suggests *την τε* (or *δε*) [*σ*]ην, taking the person addressed in *ε[υ]ρεσεις* (l. 58; l. *ε[υ]ρήσεις*) to be a Jew to whom this *Κεστώς* was dedicated and the author of the work in question. This suits *της αρχαιας πα[τ]ριδος*, which would then mean 'your old native country'; though the supposition that the author required to be told where his own work was to be found is not quite satisfactory. To understand *της αρχαιας πα[τ]ριδος* as the native land of Africanus himself, unless the phrase is interpreted in the unnatural sense of 'the country in which I used

to live,' referring to his settlement at Emmaus-Nicopolis, would of course involve the inference that he was of Syrian origin. This has already been maintained by Valesius (*Adnot. in Euseb. H. E.* p. 113) and others, though on grounds quite insufficient to override the statement of Suidas that Africanus was a φιλόσοφος Λίβυς. On the other hand Gelzer's argument (*op. cit.*, Einleitung) in support of this testimony, namely that Africanus knew Latin, seems hardly more conclusive on the one side than Africanus' probable knowledge of Hebrew on the other.

60. [Α]λίας Καπιτωλείνης: the name of Jerusalem after its restoration by Hadrian.

64. Ἀλεξανδρου: i. e. the Emperor Severus Alexander.

65. Πανθεῖω: the famous Pantheon built by Agrippa and restored by Hadrian and other emperors.

413. FARCE AND MIME.

22·9 × 42·3 cm.

Both sides of this remarkable papyrus are occupied with literary compositions of an unusual type. On the *recto* are three columns, of which the two latter are almost complete, of a low comedy or farce, written in a good-sized semi-uncial hand, the *dramatis personae* being carefully distinguished and stage directions added. Adhering to the right of the third column about halfway down is an uninscribed fragment of some size, showing that the work did not extend beyond half a column more at most. On the *verso* are, firstly, two columns in a much smaller and more cursive hand, preceded by a few letters of a third upon the projecting fragment already referred to, from what may best be described as a mime, which is mainly, at the least, a monologue. The second of the two complete columns is shorter than the other, and there are some 6 centimetres of blank space below it. Secondly, adjoining this to the right is another column of dialogue in the style of the *recto*, and with the same characters, written in a somewhat larger and more careful hand, but evidently by the same person who was responsible for the foregoing mime. This column was intended to supersede the latter portion of the first column of the *recto*; cf. note on ll. 30-6. To assign both sides of the papyrus to one scribe is out of the question, but we are not inclined to think that the two documents were separated by a considerable interval of time. The hand of the *recto* we attribute with little hesitation to the Antonine period; that of the *verso* no doubt falls within the second century.

As we have already seen, the MS. apparently was not continued more than a few lines beyond the third column of the *recto*, if it did not actually end at that point. This fact is quite in accordance with the internal evidence, for the

impression given by the lower part of this column is that it is the exodium or conclusion of the whole piece. Metrical passages are introduced, a system of Sotadean verses in ll. 88-91 being followed after a short interval by a series of trochaic tetrameters (ll. 96-106); and there was an accompaniment of music and dancing (cf. ll. 88-9, 92-3). The close of the play is also probably indicated by the word *καταστολή* in l. 95, which heads the concluding section. The scene is the coast of a barbarian country bordering upon the Indian ocean (cf. ll. 88-91), and the subject is the adventures in those remote regions of a party of Greeks chief among whom is Charition, the heroine of the drama. Such themes are familiar from the pages of the early Greek romances, and the plot of this piece seems to have run on lines very similar to theirs. Charition had not improbably been carried off in the usual way by pirates, and had so come into the hands of the barbarians, whose Greek-speaking king (cf. ll. 88 sqq.) is one of the characters of the play. She had apparently taken up her abode in a temple (cf. ll. 215, 225); and the present fragment describes her rescue by her brother and others who had arrived by sea, and who succeed in effecting their escape after making her captors drunk. Professor Crusius, to whom we are much indebted in the reconstruction and interpretation of this papyrus, acutely suggests that the position in which Charition found herself placed may have been similar to that of the heroine in the romance of Xenophon of Ephesus, Antheia, who in order to repel the advances of the Indian prince Psammis represented herself as dedicated to the goddess Isis (cf. l. 88 *θεὰ Σελήνη*, and l. 106 *τὴν σὴν πρό[σπολον]*), and lived for some time in that capacity under Psammis' protection (*Ephes.* iii. 11). A large number of characters are introduced. Besides Charition, whom the stage directions call A, her brother (Γ, cf. ll. 97-9), and the barbarian king, called *βασ(ιλεύς)*, we have the buffoon (B) who largely supplies the comic element. This, as might be expected, is often of a coarse kind. B is of the Greek party and does not understand the barbarian language (cf. ll. 58, 66); but some non-Greek words are assigned to him in ll. 75 and 79-80. Another well-identified character is Δ, the captain of the ship (l. 101). The personality of others is less easy to ascertain. In the fourth column of the *verso* ε, who goes to fetch the ship, seems to belong to the brother's party, and is consequently to be distinguished from the speaker in ll. 70-1 and 74, who uses only the barbarian language, but is designated by a symbol which might otherwise be supposed to represent ε. It is, however, formed quite differently from the ε on the *verso*, and is more like the sign for 200. Ζ, who figures only in ll. 31 and 71-3, is another barbarian. There remains *κοι()*, whose remarks are also with one exception (l. 104) in the barbarian tongue. We are indebted to Prof. G. Wissowa for the suggestion that the abbreviation is to be expanded *κοι(νῇ)*, 'all' or 'altogether,' referring either to

the body of the barbarians or of the Greeks as the case may be. This hypothesis satisfies all the conditions, and accounts for the appearance of $\kappa\omicron\iota$ () in l. 104, which would on any other view be a difficulty. In ll. 195 sqq. a party of barbarian women, who have just returned from a hunting expedition, is introduced. They are armed with bows and arrows, and nearly succeed in shooting the buffoon (ll. 207-8).

Apart from the distribution of the various parts the MS. includes a number of symbols and abbreviations which are to be interpreted as stage directions. The commonest of these are a τ with a dot and a horizontal dash above it (in l. 211 there is no dash), and a pair of short strokes curving towards each other at the centre (e.g. l. 11) which is sometimes followed by a straight stroke (e.g. l. 39). The τ (which we print simply as τ) is probably to be connected with the music, and might stand for $\tau(\upsilon\mu\pi\alpha\nu\iota\sigma\mu\acute{o}\varsigma)$; cf. l. 92 $\tau(\upsilon\mu\pi\alpha\nu\iota\sigma\mu\acute{o}\varsigma) \text{ πολ}(\acute{\upsilon}\varsigma)$, $\kappa\rho\omicron\upsilon\sigma(\iota\varsigma)$, ll. 69 and 95 where τ is similarly combined with $\text{πολ}(\quad)$, and l. 87 $\tau(\upsilon\mu\pi\alpha\nu\iota\sigma\mu\acute{o}\varsigma) (\text{πεντάκις}?)$. The two curved strokes, which sometimes stand before or after τ (e.g. ll. 65, 72), but more commonly are by themselves, may also have a musical signification, or may refer in some other way to the accompanying action; their use is not like that of mere marks of punctuation. The word $\text{πορδ}(\acute{\eta})$ which is repeatedly associated with the remarks of B, the buffoon, seems also to be of the nature of a stage direction; cf. l. 22 $\text{πέρδ}(\epsilon\tau\alpha\iota)^1$. The speeches in the barbarian language are usually written continuously, like the Greek, without separation of words; but in one passage (ll. 61-4) the words are divided by points, while in others the insertion of one of the symbols described above serves a similar purpose. The language is no doubt to a large extent of an imaginary nature, but it may include some genuine non-Hellenic elements; cf. note on l. 83.

The mime of which two columns are preserved upon the *verso* of the papyrus is of a simpler character. The chief figure here is again a woman, upon whom the action centres throughout; most of the other actors are slaves. The motive of the first scene (Col. ii) is that of the fifth mime of Herondas, the ζηλότυπος . The young mistress makes proposals to one of her slaves, Aesopus (l. 115), to which he declines to listen, whereupon she orders him to be put to death along with a female slave (? Apollonia, l. 120) whom she supposes to be the object of his affections. These cruel commands, however, are not actually carried out, for the male slave manages to escape, and his assumed paramour is only placed in confinement. In the next scene (Col. iii) the bloodthirsty mistress is engaged in plotting the death of an old man, to whom she appears

¹ Cf. E. Littmann 'Ein arabisches Karagos-spiel' in the *Zeitsch. der Deutschen Morgenländ. Gesellschaft* for 1900, where the catch-word of the buffoon is 'Scheiss.'

to have been unhappily married. Her accomplices are two slaves, Spinther and Malacus, who also figured in the previous scene; and a 'parasite' acts as a go-between. The column ends in a rather obscure manner without her nefarious purpose having been accomplished, and the piece seems to have been left unfinished.

Whether at any point in these two columns the monologue of the mistress is interrupted by other speakers is a matter of some doubt. The sentences are in the original divided off by an oblique dash (see the critical notes); and at two points (at the end of l. 117 and in the middle of l. 185) the dash is preceded by three short horizontal strokes. Possibly this sign should be interpreted as an indication of a change of speaker, which would in either case suit the context. Thus in l. 117 *κυρί'* would = *κυρία*, the natural mode of address from a slave to his mistress; and in l. 187 *δέσποτα* implies the entrance of a new character (the old husband?), to whom may be attributed the words *οἶά μοι*. But if so the scribe was not consistent in the use of this sign, which should have been repeated when the previous speaker resumed; and if omitted in these cases, it may be absent entirely in some others where an interchange of speakers might be supposed to occur, e.g. l. 172 *τὸ ποῖον*, l. 178 *αἱ πῶς*; *μάλιστα*, κ.τ.λ. But this is not necessary, and we do not feel satisfied that the other two passages cannot be explained on the hypothesis that the piece is a monologue throughout.

With regard to the date of the composition of these two productions, Crusius considers that the mime belongs to the Roman period, while the farce may be rather earlier, though not a product of the better Hellenistic age. Their literary quality cannot of course be ranked very high, but they are not devoid of merit. The situations disclosed in the farce shows some skill in construction, and when on the stage may have been amusing enough even without the coarser elements; while the mime, though without the accompanying action it is sometimes obscure, has considerable vigour and dramatic force. Not improbably these two pieces were once performed in the theatre of Oxyrhynchus, and they may be regarded as typical of the performances upon the provincial stages at this time. In short, they afford a most interesting glimpse into the music-hall of the period immediately following that which is represented by the Alexandrian Erotic Fragment (P. Grenf. I. 1).

Col. i.

]ωθης πορδὴν βάλει
] . B. πορδὴν

20

κ]ατεῖδαν αὐτῶν
]λαβαττα -

	ἄι δοκοῦσι ἀποτροπαί		] τ πέρδ(εται), B.
	]ν ἐπιτήδειον ὄντα		]ον πορδῆν
5	]ασην τοσαῦτα γὰρ		]μενω
	] . . ὅτι ἐν τῷ πρωκτῷ μου	25	]ην σου ποιήσας
	]ν περιφέρω. κυρία Πορδῆ, ἐὰν δια		? δύν]ασαι μοι εἰπεῖν
	]ν ἀργυρᾶν σε ποιήσας		Ψώλι]χον ποταμὸν
	]		] . μοι τῆς πορδῆς
10	] . οὔτοι παραγίνονται. τ		] κεκρυμμένους
	] . Κοι(νῇ). αβορατον —	30	σύ]νχαίρε μοι λελυμέν(ω)
	]μαλααγαβρουδιττακοτα		] Γ. λάλει βα-
	αδινα		]α. Ζ. λεανδα
	]ρασαβ[[οδωσα]]ραπρουτιννα		]ομαι αὐτὰς
	] . . [. . . ]α[[ξ]]κρατιεντιγα]
15	]μα	35	] αλεμμακα —
	[[]ωσαδα[.]]]χαριμμα —		]ν :
	ὁ πρω]κτός μου ἀπέσφῃνω-		At the bottom, in the reverse direction
	ται ἐν τῷ πελάγει χει-		τὸ εἶσω ἢ ὡς μενί
	μῶν		
	]αι ἐρεγμὸν		

Col. ii.

	B.	δοκῶ χοιριδίων θυγατέρες εἰσί· ἐγὼ καὶ ταύτας ἀπολύσω. τ πορδ(ή). Κοι(νῇ). αἱ αρμινθι — τ
40	B.	καὶ αὐται εἰς τὸν Ψώλειχον πεφεύγασιν.
	Γ.	καὶ μάλα, ἀλλὰ ἐτοιμαζώμεθα [ἐ]ὰν σωθῶμεν.
	B.	κυρία Χαρίτιον, ἐτοιμάζου ἐὰν δυνηθῇς τι τῶν ἀναθημάτων τῆς θεοῦ μαλῶσαι.
	A.	εὐφῆμει· οὐ δεῖ τοὺς σωτηρίας δεομένους με-
45		θ' ἱεροσυλίας ταύτην παρὰ θεῶν αἰτεῖσθαι.
		πῶς γὰρ ὑπακούουσι ταῖς εὐχαῖς πονηρίᾳ
		τὸν ἔλεον μέλλοντες παρ[έ]χεισθαι; τὰ τῆς θεοῦ δεῖ μένειν ὁσίως.
	B.	σὺ μὴ ἄπτου· ἐγὼ ἀρῶ. A. μὴ παῖξε, ἀλλ' ἐὰν παρα-
50		γένωνται διακόνει αὐτοῖς τὸν οἶνον ἄ[κ]ρατον.
	B.	ἐὰν δὲ μὴ θέλωσιν οὕτως πείνειν;
	Γ.	μωρέ, ἐν [τ]ούτοις τοῖς τόποις οἶνος [οὐ]κ ὦνει[ος],

- λοιπὸν [δὲ] ἔαν τοῦ γένους δράξω[ν]τα[ι] ἄπερ ἄπε[ι]-
 θοῦντ[ες] ἄκρατον πείνουσιν.
- 55 B. ἐγὼ αὐτοῖς καὶ τὴν τρυγίαν διακο[ν]ῶ.
 Γ. αὐτοὶ δὲ οὗτοι λελουμένοι μετὰ τῶν [.]
 παραγίνονται. τ ἀναπες() τ δεῦν τ . . .[.]οσαλλ[.] . . .
 Βασ(ιλεύς). βραθις. Κοι(νῇ). βραθεις. Β. τί λέγου[σι];
 Γ. εἰς τὰ μερίδιά φησι λάχωμεν. Β. λάχω[μ]εν. τ
 60 Βασ(ιλεύς). στουκεπαιρομελλοκοροκη. Β. βάσκ', ἄλαστ[ε].
 Βασ(ιλεύς). [β]ραθιε — τ βερη· κονζει· δαμυν· πετρεκιω
 πακτει· κορταμες· βερη· ἱαλερω· δεπωμενζι
 πετρεκιω δαμυτ· κινζη· παξει· ζεβης· λολω
 βια· βραδις· κοττως. Κοι(νῇ). κοττως.
 65 B. κοττως ὑμᾶς λακτίσαιτο. Βασ(ιλεύς). ζοπιτ τ
 Β. τί λέγουσι; Γ. πείν δὸς ταχ[ε]ως.
 Β. ὀκνεῖς οὖν λαλεῖν; καλήμερε, χαῖρε. — τ
 Βασ(ιλεύς). ξεισουκορμωσηδε. τ Β. ᾧ, μὴ ὑγιαίνων.
 Γ. ὑδαρές ἐστι, βάλε οἶνον. τ πολ(ύς).
 70 ς. σκαλμακαταβαπτεираγουμεμ.
 Ζ. τουγουμμι — νεκελεκεθρω. ς. ειτουβελλετρα
 χουπτεραγουμμι. Β. αἶ — μὴ ἀηδ[ι]αν· παύσασθε. τ —
 αἶ — τί ποιεῖτε; Ζ. τραχουντερμανα.
 39. αἶ Pap. 57. δεόν Pap. 68. αἶ Pap.

Col. iii.

- ς. βουλλιτικάλουμβαῖ πλαταγουλδα — βι[.]
 75 B. ἀπυλευκασαρ. τ Β[ασ(ιλεύς).] χορβονορβοθορβα[.]
 τουμωναξιζδεσπιτ πλαταγουλδα — βι[.]
 σεοσαραχ[ις]. τ Βασ(ιλεύς). [. . .]οραδω — σατυρ[.]
 Βασ(ιλεύς). ουαμεσαρεσυμφαραδαρα — ηι — ια — δα[.]
 Β. μαρθα — μαριθουμα εδμαῖμαῖ — μαῖθο[.]
 80 θαμουνα μαρθα — μαριθουμα. τ . . .[.]τυν[. . .]
 Βασ(ιλεύς). μαλπινιακουρουκουκουβι — καρακο . . .[.]ρα.
 Κοι(νῇ). αβα. Βασ(ιλεύς). ζαβεδε — ζαβιλιγιδουμβα. Κοι(νῇ).
 αβα ον[.]

Βασ(ιλεύς). πανουμβρητικατεμανουαμβρητουουενι.

Κοι(νῆ). πανουμβρητικατεμανουαμβρητουουενι

85 παρακουμβρητικατε[μ]ανουαμβρητουουενι
ολυσαδιζαπαρδαπισκουπισκατεμαν — (?) αρειμαγ[
ριδαιου — ουπατει[.]α — τ έ.

Βασ(ιλεύς). [βά]ρβαρον ανάγω χορὸν ἄπλετον, θεὰ Σελή[ν]η,
πρὸς ῥυθμὸν ἀνέτφ βήματι βαρβάρῳ [προβαίνων.

90 Ἴνδῶν δὲ πρόμοι πρὸς [ἐ]ρόθρου δότε — [υ υ — —
[Σ]ηρικὸν ἰδίως θεαστικὸν βήμα παραλ[.] . . [

τ πολ(ύς), κροῦσ(ις). Κοι(νῆ). ορκισ[.] Β. τί πάλι
λέγουσι ;

Γ. ὄρχησαί φησι. Β. πάντα τὰ τῶν ζώντων. τ πορδ(ή).

[Γ] ἀναβαλόντες αὐτὸν ταῖς ἱεραῖς ζώναις κατα[δήσα]τε.

95 τ πολ(ύς). καταστολή.

Β. οὔτοι μὲν ἤδη τῇ μέθῃ βαροῦνται.

Γ. ἐπαῖνω· σὺ δέ, Χαρίτιον, δεῦρο ἕξω.

Α. δεῦ[ρ], ἀδ]ελφέ, θᾶσσον· ἀπανθ' ἔτοιμα τυγχάν[ει] ;

Γ. πάντα γ[ά]ρ· τὸ πλοῖον ὀρμῇ πλησίον· τί μέλλετε ;

100 σοῖ [λέ]γω, πρῶρεῦ, παράβαλε δεῦρ' ἄγων τῇ[ν] ναῦν ταχύ.

Δ. ἂν π[ρ]ῶτος ἐγὼ ὁ κυβερνήτης κελεύσω.

Β. πάλι λαλεῖς, καταστροφεῦ ;

ἀπο[λ]ίπωμεν αὐτὸν· ἕξω καταφιλεῖν <τὸν> πύνδ[α]κα.

Γ. ἔνδον ἐστὲ πάντες ; Κοι(νῆ). ἔνδον. Α. ᾧ τάλαιν' [έγώ υ —

105 τρόμος πολὺς με τὴν παναθλίαν κρατεῖ.

εὐμένης, δέσποινα, γείνου· σῶζε τὴν σὴν πρό[σ]πολον.

81. ο of κουβι corr. from v. 87. ε' Pap. 94. ἱεραῖς Pap. 101. 1. πρώτως?

Verso.

Col. ii.

[.]ζώσσωμαι. ἐρῶ νῦν παιδ(ίον)

[.] αὐτὸν ἵνα με βεινήσῃ. τί οὖν

[.] μά[σ]τιγας ; δοῦλε προσελθὼν

110 [.] φαιδρόν. μαστιγία, ἐγὼ ἡ κυρία

[.] αὐτοῦ. κελεύω καὶ οὐ γίνεται ; οὐ θέλεις

- [.]δινεσ() ποίησ(ον). μ . . [. .]ν τὰς μάστιγ(ας)
 [.]στ() πόησ(ον). οὐδὲ σὺ θέλεις; παῖδες, τοὺς
 [.] οὐδὲν γίνεται; δὸς ᾧδε τὰς μάστιγι(ας).
- 115 [.]ἔστηκεν Αἴσωπ(ος) ὁ τὴν δούλ(ην) καταδεξέ(μενος)
 [. .]ιον[. . . .] ιτ[α]ς ἀρασσ() αὐτ() ἔκτινάξ(ατε)· ἰδοῦ.
 [κ]υρί' εἰ δέ σ[ε] σκάπτειν ἐκέλευσ(ν), εἰ δ' ἀροτριᾶν,
^{πάντων οὖν τῶν ἐν τῷ ἀγρῷ ἔργων γινομένων(ων)}
 [εἰ] δὲ λίθ(ους) βα[σ]τάξ(ειν) τῷ γυναικε(ῖω) γέν(ει) συντετραμμ(ένων?) ^{κενός σοι κύσθ(ος)}
 [ἀ]λόγιστ(ε), πονηρή(αν) τίνα μέν(εις), καὶ αὐχ(εῖς), καὶ τοῦτο σὺν τῇ ^{σκληρό(τ)ε}
^{ἐφάνη}
 πῶλ(ω)
- 120 Ἀπολλ(ωνία); ὥστε, παῖδ(ες), συνλαβόντ(ες) τοῦτον ἔλκετε ἐπὶ τὴν
 πεπρωμένην. προάγετε νῦν κἀκείνην ὡς ἔστιν
 πεφειμωμένη. ὑμῖν λέγω ἀπαγαγόντες αὐτοὺς
 κατὰ ἀμφότερα τὰ ἀκρωτήρ[ι]α κ[α]ὶ τὰ παρακείμενα
 δένδρα προσδήσατε, μακρὰν διασπ[ά]σαντες
- 125 ἄλλον ἀπ' [ἀ]λλου καὶ βλέπετε μή π[ο]τε] τῷ ἐτέρῳ
 δείξετε μὴ τῆς ἀλλήλων ὄψεως [πλ]ησθέντες
 μεθ' ἡδον[ῆ]ς ἀποθάνωσι. σφαγιάσαντες δὲ αὐτοὺς
 πρὸς με ἔσθω ἀντᾶτε. εἶρηκα· ἐγὼ δ' ἔνδον εἰσ-
 ελεύσομαι.] τί λέγετε ὑμ[εῖς]; ὅν(ως) ο[ἱ] θεοὶ ὑμῖν
- 130 ἐφαντάσθ(ησαν), [κ]αὶ ὑμεῖς ἐφοβήθ(ητ)ε; κα[ὶ] . . ι[σ] () ἀσ[ι]ν()
 γεγόνاسι; [ἐ]γὼ [ὑ]μῖν καταγι . . [. . .] ἐκείνοι
 εἰ καὶ ὑμᾶ[ς] δι[ε]φύγεν τοὺς ὀρε[ο]φ[ύ]λακας οὐ μὴ λάβῃωσι.
 νυνὶ δὲ τοῖς θεοῖς ἀπαρᾶσ(θ)αι βούλομαι, Σπιν[θ]ήρ·
 ὁμοσούν· ἐπιπ . . σ ἰνομενα. λ[έ]γετε
- 135 τὰ πρὸς τᾶ[ς] θυσίας. ἐπειδὴν οἱ θεοὶ καὶ ἐπ' ἀγαθῷ
 ἡμῖν φα[ί]νεσθαι μέλλω(σιν) ὡς προσέχ(οντες) ὑμνήσ(ατε)
 τοὺς θεοῦ[ς]. μαστιγία, οὐ θέλ(εις) ποιεῖν τὰ ἐπιτασόμενα);
 τί γέγονε [. .]μαινη; εἰσελθόντ(ες) ἴδετε τίς ἐστιν.
 τί φησιν [. .]θιναρα; ἴδετε μὴ [κ]αὶ ὁ ὑπερήφανος
- 140 ἔσω ἐστί. ὑμῖν λέγω ἀπαλλάξ[α]ντες ταύτην πα-
 ράδοτε τ[οῖς] ὀρεοφύλαξι καὶ εἵπατε ἐν πολλῷ σιδήρῳ
 τηρεῖν ἐπ[ι]μελῶς. ἔλκετε, σύρετε, ἀπάγετε.
 καὶ ὑ[μ]εῖς δ[ὲ] ἐκείνον ἀναζητήσαντες ἀποσφα-
 γιάσαντές τ[ε] προβάλετε ἵνα [ἐγ]ὼ αὐτὸν νεκρὸν ἴδω.

- 145 [ἐλθετε Σπινθήρ, Μάλακε, μετ' ἐμοῦ· ἐξιοῦσα
 [. ἀκρ]ιβῶς νῦν ἰδεῖν πειράσσομαι εἰ τέθνηκε
 [. ὅ]πως μὴ πάλιν πλανῇ μ' ἔρις. ὦδε μὲν
 [.]καμαι τὰ ὦδε. ἐέ, ἰδ[ο]ῦ οὗτος· αἱ ταλαί-
 [παρε] ἤθελες οὕτω ριφῆναι μᾶλλον ἢ ἐμέ
 150 [φιλεῖν; κε]μένον δὲ κωφὸν πῶς ἀποδύρομαι; νεκρῷ
 [.]· ε γέγονεν, ἦρται πᾶσα ἔρις. ἀνάπαυσον
 [. κ]ε[α]ρμένας φρένας ἄρῳ.

Diagonal dashes occur in the papyrus after the following words:—107]ζωσωμαι and παιδ(ιου), 108 βεινηση, 109 μα]στιγας, 110 φαιδρον (before and after), 111 γινεται, 112 ποιησ(ον), 113 ποιη(σον), 114 μαστειγ(ας), 117 εκελενο(ν) and αροτριαν, 118 βα[σ]ταξ(ειν), 122 πεφειμωμενη, 129 ελευσομα[ι], 130 εφантаσθ(ησαν) and εφοβη[η]τ[ε], 131 γεγονασι and κατανι . . [. .], 133 σπινθηρ, 134 ομοσον and . . . νομενα, 135 θυσιαις, 137 θεους and επιτασσομε(να), 138]μαινη and εστιν, 140 ευτι, 142 ε[π]μελως and απαγετε, 145 μου, 147 ερις, 148 εε. 116. ιδου ≡ Pap. 121. πεπωμηνην Pap.

Col. iii.

- Σπινθήρ, πόθεν σου ὁ ὀφθαλμὸς ἡμέρωται; ὦδε ἄνω
 συνείσελθέ μοι, μαστιγία, ὅπως οἶνον διωλίσω. εἷσελθε,
 155 εἷσελθε, μαστιγία· ὦδε παρέλθε. ποταπὰ περιπατεῖς;
 ὦδε στρέφου. ποῦ σοῦ τὸ ἥμισυ τοῦ χιτωνί(ου), τὸ ἥμισυ;
 ἐγὼ σοι πάντα περὶ πάντων ἀποδώσω. οὕτω μοι
 δέδοκται, Μάλακε· πάντας ἀνελοῦσα καὶ πωλήσασα
 τὰ ὑπάρχοντά πού ποτε χωρίσεσθαι. νῦν τοῦ γέροντ(ος)
 160 ἐνκρατῆς θέλω γενέσ(θαι) πρὶν τι τούτ(ων) ἐπιγνοῖ· καὶ γὰρ εὐκαίρως [[σ . . α]]
 ἔχω φάρμακον θανάσιμον ὃ μετ' οἰνομέλιτος διηθήσασα
 δώσω αὐτῷ πείν. ὥστε πορευθεῖς τῇ πλατίᾳ θύρα κά-
 λεσον αὐτὸν ὡς ἐπὶ διαλλαγᾶς. ἀπελθόντες καὶ ἡμεῖς
 τῷ παρασίτῳ τὰ περὶ τοῦ γέροντος προσαναθώμεθα.
 165 παιδίον, παῖ· τὸ τοιοῦτόν ἐστιν, παράσιτε· οὗτος τίς ἐστι(ν);
 αὕτη δέ; τί οὖν αὐτῇ ἐγένετο; ἀ[ποκ]άλυψον ἵνα ἴδω
 αὐτήν. χρεῖαν σου ἔχω. τὸ τοιοῦτόν ἐστιν, παράσιτε·
 μετανοήσασ(α) θέλ(ω) τῷ γέροντ(ι) διαλλαγ(ῆναι). πορευθεῖς οὖν
 ἴδε αὐτὸν καὶ ἄγε πρὸς ἐμέ, ἐγὼ δὲ εἰσελθοῦσα τὰ πρὸς τὸ

- 170 ἄριστον ὑμῖν ἐτοιμάσ[ω]. ἐπαινῶ, Μάλακε, τὸ τάχος.
 τῇδ' φάρμακον ἔχεις συνεκραμένον καὶ τὸ ἄριστον
 ἔ[τοι]μόν ἐστι; τὸ ποῖον; Μάλακε, λαβὲ ἰδοῦ οἰνόμελι.
 τάλας, δοκῶ πανόλημπος γέγονεν ὁ παράσιτος· τάλας, γελᾷ·
 σ[υν]ακολουθήσ[α]τε αὐτῷ μὴ καὶ τι πάθῃ. τοῦτο μὲν ὥς
 175 ἐβ[ο]υλόμην τετ[έ]λεσται· εἰσελθ[όν]τες περὶ τῶν λοιπῶν
 ἀσφαλέστερον βουλευσώμεθα. Μάλακε, πάντα ἡμῖν κατὰ
 γνώμην προκεχώρηκε, ἐὰν ἔτι τὸν γέροντα ἀνέλωμεν.
 παράσιτε, τί γέγονεν; αἱ πῶς; μάλιστα, πάντων γὰρ
 ν[ῦ]ν ἐνκρατὴς γέγονα. ἄγωμεν, παράσιτε. τί οὖν θέλεις;
 180 Σπινθήρ, ἐπίδος μοι φόνον ἱκανόν. παράσιτε, φοβοῦμαι
 μὴ γελᾶσω. καὶ καλῶς λέγεις· λέγω τί με δεῖ λέγειν.
 π[ά]τερ κύριε, τίني με καταλείπεις; ἀπολώλεκά μου τὴν
 παρρησίαν, τὴν δόξαν, τὸ ἐλευθέριον φῶς. σύ μου ἦς ὁ κύριος. τούτῳ
 μόνον ἀληθῶς οὐ λέγω
 ἄφες ἐγὼ αὐτὸν θρηνήσω. οὐαὶ σοι, ταλαίπωρε, ἄκκληρε,
 185 ἀ[λγ]εῖνέ, ἀναφρόδιτε· οὐαὶ σοι· οὐαὶ μοι· οἶδα γὰρ σε ὅστις
 μείσόμενε
 π[ι]. εἰ. Σπινθήρ, ξύλα ἐπὶ τοῦτον. οὗτος πάλιν τίς ἐστιν;
 μένουσι σῶοι, δέσποτα.

Diagonal dashes occur in the papyrus after the following words:—153 *ημερωται*, 155 *μαστιγια* and *παρελθε*, 156 *στρεφου* and *χιτωνι(ου)*, 157 *αποδωσω*, 159 *χωρισεσθαι*, 163 *διαλλαγας*, 164 *προσανυθωμεθα*, 165 *παι*, *παρασιτε*, and *εστι(ν)*, 166 *δε* and *εγενετο*, 167 *αυτην*, *εχω*, and *παρασιτε*, 168 *διαλλαγι(ναι)*, 170 *ετοιμασ[ω]*, 171 *συνεκραμενον*, 172 *εστι*, *ποιον*, *μαλακε*, and *οινομελι*, 173 *παρασιτος*, 174 *παθη*, 176 *βουλευσωμεθα*, 177 *ανελωμεν*, 178 *γεγονεν* and *πως*, 179 *γεγονα*, *παρασιτε*, and *θελεις* (after *θελεις* two dashes), 180 *ικανον*, 181 *γελασω*, *λεγεις*, and *λεγειν*, 182 *καταλειπεις*, 183 *παρρησιαν*, *δοξαν*, *φως*, and *κυριος*, 184 *θρηνησω*, 185 *μοι*, 186 *τουτον* and *εστιν*. 158. Final *a* of *ανελουσα* corr. from *ai*. 181. *και* corr. 183. *θ* of *ελευθεριον* corr. 184. *αφες εγω αυ* over an erasure. 185. *σοι* ≡ Pap.

Col. iv.

5. κυρία Χαρίτιον, σύνχαιρε τούτων μοι
 λελυμένων.
 190 A. μεγάλοι οἱ θεοί.
 B. ποῖοι θεοί, μωρέ; πορδῆ.
 A. παῦσαι ἄνθρωπε.

5. αὐτοῦ με ἐγδέχεσθε, ἐγὼ δὲ πορ[ε]-
 θεῖς [[ποιήσω]] τὸ πλοῖον ἔφορμον [ποιήσω.
- 195 A. πορεύου· ἰδοὺ γὰρ καὶ αἱ γυναῖκες [αὐτῶν ἀπὸ κυνηγίου παραγίνονται.
- B. οὐ, πηλικά τοξικά ἔχουσι.
- Γυν(ή). κραννον. Ἀλ(λη). λαλλε.
- 200 Ἀλ(λη). λαιταλιαντα λαλλε αβ . . αιγμ[
- Ἀλ(λη). κοτακως αναβ . ιωσαρα.
- B. χαίρετε -
- Κοι(νή). λασπαθια -
- B. αἱ κυρία, βοήθει.
- 205 A. αλεμακα - Κοι(νή). αλεμακα. [
- B. παρ' ἡμῶν ἐστι οὐκ ἠλεῶ μὰ τὴν Ἀ[θήνην.
- A. ταλαίπωρε, δόξασαί σε πολέμ[ο]ν
- εἶναι παρ' ὀλίγον ἐτόξευσαν. [
- B. πάντα μοι κακά· θέλεις οὖν κα[. . .]τ[. . .
- 210 εἰς τὸν Ψώλιχον ποταμόν; [
- A. ὥς θέλεις. τ B. πορδ(ή). [
- Κοι(νή). μινει.
- αγαρ() 5. κυρία Χαρίτιον, καταρχὴν [βλέπω τοῦ
- ἀνέμου ὥστε ἡμᾶς πε[ράσαντας
- 215 τὸ Ἰνδικὸν πέλαγος ὑποφυγεῖν·
- ὥστε εἰσελθοῦσα τὰ σε[αυτῆς] ἄρον,
- καὶ ἑάν τι δύνῃ τῶν ἀν[αθημάτων]
- τῆς θεοῦ βάσταςον. [
- A. σ[ω]φ[ρό]νησον, ἀνθρωπε· οἷ' δεῖ τοὺς σω-
- 220 τηρία[s] δεομένους μετ[ὰ] ἱεροσυλίας
- ταύτην ἀπὸ θεῶν αἰτεῖ[σθαι].
- πῶς γὰρ ὑπακούουσιν αὐτῶν πονη-
- ρίᾳ τὸν ἔλεον ἐπισπωμ[ένων];
- B. σὺ μὴ ἄπτου, ἐγὼ ἄρῶ. [
- 225 5. τοίνυν τὰ σεαυτῆς ἄρον. [
- A. οὐδ' ἐκείνων χρεῖαν ἔχω, μόν[ον] δὲ τὸ πρόσω-
- πον τοῦ πατρὸς θεάσασθαι.

5. εἴσελθε τοῖνυν· σὺ δὲ ὄψομ[εθα] . [.]
 διακονήσης ἀκρατέστερ[ον] τὸν οἶνον
 230 διδούς, αὐτοὶ γὰρ οὗτοι πρ[ο]σέρχονται.

208. Second ο of ολιγον corr. from α.

7-8. πορδῆ]ν . . . εἰς διασῳθῶ or, as Blass suggests, εἰς διαφύγω τὸν κίνδυνον? The buffoon, who is evidently the speaker, apparently vows to erect a silver statue of his patron saint Πορδῆ if he escapes from his perils.

10. οἱ are the barbarians, who are seen approaching.

13. The correction may be by the hand of the *verso*.

19. ἐρεγμόν = ἐρυγμόν; cf. Etym. M. ἐρεχμός καὶ ἐρεγμός· παρὰ τὸ ἐρεύγω ἐρεγμός· ὅς λέγεται καὶ ἐρεγμός.

27. Ψῳλιχόν ποταμόν; cf. ll. 40 and 210. The name is formed from ψῳλός.

30-6. These lines are enclosed in the papyrus by a circular stroke which passes through l. 30, and there can be no doubt that it was intended that their place should be taken by Col. iv of the *verso*. This is indicated by the note at the bottom, which is in the same handwriting as the *verso*. The fact that in relation to the foregoing column the letters of the note are upside down is unusual, and τὸ ἐξω would be expected rather than τὸ εἶσω; but τὸ εἶσω would represent the point of view of the writer of the mime, and the practical identity of l. 30 with ll. 188-9 adds a conclusive proof that the column on the *verso* was meant to be inserted at this point. Line 30 is accordingly to be restored κυρία Χαρίτιον σύ]νχαυε, the speaker being εἷ as in l. 188; it may also be noted that the word αλεμμάκα found in l. 35 also occurs in l. 205 in the scene with the barbarian women, to whom αὐτάς in l. 33 probably refers. ἡ ὥς μεν[ι] in the footnote is obscure; ἡ suggests that the longer passage on the back was an alternative draft.

31. βα[σι]λεὺς?

188-230. 'F. Lady Charition, rejoice with me at my escape!

A (Charition). Great are the gods.

B (buffoon). What gods, fool? * * *

A. Cease, fellow!

F. Wait for me here and I will go and bring the ship to anchor.

A. Go; for see, here come their women from the chase.

B. Oh! what huge bows they have!

A woman. Kraunou. Another. Lalle.

Another. Laitalianta lalle . . .

Another. Kouakos anab . iosara.

B. Hail!

All. Laspithia.

B. Ah! Lady, help!

A. Alemaka. All. Alemaka.

B. By Athena, there is no . . . from us.

A. Wretch, they took you for an enemy and nearly shot you.

B. I am always in misfortune. Will you then . . . to the river Psolichus?

A. As you like. (Drums.) B. * * *

All. Minei.

F. Lady Charition, I see the wind is rising, so that we may cross the Indian ocean

and escape. So enter and fetch your property, and if you can, carry off one of the offerings to the goddess.

A. Prudence, fellow! Those in need of salvation must not accompany their petitions to the gods with sacrilege. For how will the gods listen to men who try to win mercy with wickedness?

B. Don't you touch, I will fetch it.

F. Well, fetch your own things then.

A. I do not need them either, but only to see my father's face.

F. Enter then; and do you serve them . . . and give them their wine strong, for here they come.'

198. οὐ is evidently an exclamation, like οὐά.

204. At this point the women begin an attack on the buffoon, who cries out to Charition for help. Charition accordingly intervenes with the word 'alemakā' (l. 205), which is repeated by the rest and apparently has the effect of restoring peace.

206. οὐκ ἤλεω makes no sense and seems to be corrupt; there was perhaps some play on αλεμακα in the previous line (cf. ll. 92-3). οὐ κηλείν might be read, but this hardly improves matters.

213. The marginal note seems to refer to this column, to which it is closer than to Col. iii of the mime; but the meaning is obscure. ἀγων(ία) or ἀγών(ισμα) would suit the upper part of the column, but is hardly apposite at this point.

216-25. Cf. ll. 42-9, where the same request is put into the mouth of the buffoon, Charition again declining in words almost identical with those used here.

228-30. Cf. ll. 52-7.

38-106. '*B.* I think that they are the daughters of swine; these too I will get rid of. (*Drums, * * **).

All. Ai arminthi. (*Drums.*)

B. They also have run away to the Psolichus.

C. Yes; but let us get ready, if we are to escape.

B. Lady Charition, get ready if you can to take under your arm one of the offerings to the goddess.

A. Hush! Those in need of salvation must not accompany their petitions to the gods with sacrilege. For how will they listen to the prayers of those who are about to gain mercy by wickedness? The property of the goddess must remain sacred.

B. Don't you touch; I will carry it.

A. Don't be silly, but if they come serve them the wine neat.

B. But if they will not drink it so?

C. Fool, in these regions wine is not for sale. Consequently, if they get hold of this kind of thing they will drink it neat against their will (?).

B. I'll serve them lees and all.

C. Here they come, having bathed, with . . . (*Drums.*) . . .

King. Brathis. *All.* Brathis. *B.* What do they say?

C. Let us draw lots for the shares, he says. *B.* Yes, let us.

King. Stoukepairomellokoroke. *B.* Back, accursed wretch!

King. Brathie. (*Drums.*) Bere konzei damun petrekio

paktei kortames bere ialero depomenzi

petrekio damut kinze paxei zebes lolo

bia bradis kottos. *All.* Kottos.'

B. May you be kicked by 'kottos.' *King.* Zopit. (*Drums.*)

- B.* What do they say? *C.* Give them a drink, quick.
B. Are you afraid to speak then? Hail, thou whose days prosper! (*Drums.*)
King. Zeisoukormosedē. (*Drums.*) *B.* Ah! Not if I know it!
C. It is watery; put in some wine. (*Much drumming.*)
G. Skalmakatabapteiragoumi.
H. Tougoummi nekekethro. *G.* Eitoubelletrachouptera-goumi.
B. Ah! None of your disgusting ways! Stop! (*Drums.*) Ah! What are you doing? *H.* Trachountermana.
G. Boullitikaloumbaī platagoulda bi[
B. Apuleukasar. (*Drums.*) *King.* Chorbonorbothorba toumionaxiz-despit platagoulda bi sesorachis. (*Drums.*) *King.* . . . orado satur[
King. Ouamesaresumpsaradara ei ia da[
B. Martha marithouma edmaīmaī maītho thamouna martha marithouma. (*Drums.*) tun[
King. Malpiniakouroukougoubi karako . . . ra.
All. Aba. *King.* Zabede zabiligidoumba. *All.* Aba oun[
King. Panoumbretikatemanouambretououeni.
All. Panoumbretikatemanouambretououeni
Parakoumbretikatemanouambretououeni
Olusadizapardapiskoupiskateman areiman[
ridaou oupatei . a. (*Five drummings.*)
King. A boundless barbaric dance I lead, O goddess moon,
With wild measure and barbaric step;
Ye Indian chiefs, bring the drum (?) of mystic sound,
The frenzied Seric step . . . (*Much drumming, beating.*)
All. Orkis[.]. *B.* What do they say again?
C. He says, dance. *B.* Just like living men. (*Drums * * **). *C.* Throw him down and bind him with the sacred girdles. (*Much drumming. Finale.*)
B. They are heavy now with drink.
C. Good; Charition, come out here.
A. Come, brother, quickly; is all ready?
C. Yes all: the boat is at anchor close by; why do you linger? Helmsman, I bid you bring the ship alongside here at once.
D (captain). Wait till I give him the word.
B. Are you talking again, you bungler? let us leave him outside to kiss the ship's bottom.
C. Are you all aboard? *All.* Aboard. *A.* O unhappy me! A great trembling seizes my wretched body. Be propitious, lady goddess! save thy handmaiden!'

42-9. Cf. ll. 216-225, note. *μαλῶσαι* is a new verb formed from *μᾶλν*, and a comic equivalent of *βαστάζειν* (cf. l. 218). In l. 47 *μελλόντων* must be read for *μελλόντες*.

53. *ἄπερ* does not seem right, and there may be some corruption. *ρ* is quite uncertain, and perhaps *απει* was written twice by mistake; but a broader letter would be expected. *καίτερ* would give a more suitable meaning.

57. The latter part of this line after *παράγεινονται* seems to be filled with stage directions. Above the doubtful *ου* of *θεου* is a stroke like an accent, which may indicate an abbreviation. *ἀναπερ* () is perhaps for *ἀναπαυσ(τικός)*.

67. This remark is addressed to one of the barbarians.

70. The words should perhaps be divided *σκαλμα κατάβα(?) πτε(ι)ραγονμι*; cf. l. 72 where *πτε(ι)ραγονμι* recurs. On the speaker here and in ll. 71 and 74 cf. introd. p. 42.

75-80. The distribution of the parts in this passage causes some difficulty. *B.*, the buffoon, elsewhere speaks Greek only, and appears not to understand the barbarian language. Yet in ll. 75 and 79 he is assigned non-Greek speeches, and the speaker who intervenes either at the end of ll. 75 or 76 may also be *B.* It will be noticed that in either case there is a β near the end of the line; but in both instances the letter following is closer than it should be if the β was meant to represent the character. If the attribution of ll. 75 and 79-80 to *B.* is correct, he may be supposed to be emboldened by the conviviality of the barbarians to address them in a meaningless jargon intended to imitate their language.

82. At the end of the line we should perhaps read $\sigma\upsilon(\epsilon)\nu\iota$, as in ll. 83-5.

83. Assuming that it is worth while to attempt to bring the barbarian language in this piece into relation with any known speech, the key is possibly to be found in late Pali or old Prakrit. We owe to Dr. G. A. Grierson the suggestion that in the present passage, for instance, $\pi\alpha\upsilon\sigma\upsilon\mu\beta\eta\rho\iota$ may represent $pāṇō amṛta$, 'drink' (or 'life') and 'nectar,' which suits the context remarkably well. Similarly he would connect $\alpha\lambda\epsilon\mu(\mu)\alpha\kappa\alpha$ in ll. 35 and 205 with the Pali $alam$ 'enough,' 'stop,' - $\kappa\alpha$ being a substantival suffix which an ignorant Greek might use incorrectly. But we must leave the consideration of this question to Sanskrit scholars.

89. l. $\delta\upsilon\epsilon\tau\omicron\nu$?

90. $\{\epsilon\}\rho\acute{o}\theta\rho\upsilon\nu$, though a new compound, seems certain; cf. $\lambda\acute{\iota}\gamma\acute{\iota}\theta\rho\upsilon\nu$, &c. Some syllables are missing at the end of the line, and a substantive is required to complete the sentence; perhaps $\tau\acute{\upsilon}\pi\alpha\nu\omicron\nu$ followed by a long syllable.

91. $\{\Sigma\}\eta\rho\acute{\iota}\kappa\acute{o}\nu$ (Crusius) is very attractive, though it hardly fills the available space. At the end of the line the doubtful λ may be ν .

93. $\delta\rho\chi\eta\sigma\alpha\iota$ reproduces the sound of the barbarian $\theta\rho\kappa\iota\sigma\iota$.

94. *B.* is probably still the speaker.

96-106. The verses with which the scene closes are trochaic tetrameters, but the text seems faulty in places, and some alteration is required to reduce the metrical system to order. Thus ll. 98 and 104 are each a syllable short, and ll. 101-2 are considerably too long. Crusius suggests that in l. 101 $\delta\ \kappa\upsilon\beta\epsilon\rho\eta\acute{\nu}\eta\tau\eta\varsigma$ is a gloss on $\acute{\epsilon}\gamma\acute{\omega}$; and if these two words be omitted and $\pi\rho\acute{\omega}\tau\omega\varsigma$ (for $\pi\rho\omega\tau\omicron\varsigma$) and $\acute{\epsilon}\gamma\acute{\omega}$ transposed, the metre is restored. Line 98 may be amended by reading $\tilde{\eta}\ \rho\alpha$ (or $\tilde{\alpha}\rho\alpha$) $\pi\acute{\alpha}\nu\theta\iota$, which also improves the sense. The iambic trimeter in l. 105 is unexpected, and a cretic may be lost at the beginning; but it is perhaps better not to demand exact regularity, especially since ll. 95-6 are also not trochaic tetrameters.

95. $\kappa\alpha\tau\alpha\sigma\tau\omicron\lambda\acute{\eta}$ in the original is written after the manner of a title in larger letters, with little dashes above and below. It is probably equivalent to $\kappa\alpha\tau\alpha\sigma\tau\rho\acute{o}\phi\eta$, as in Schol. on Aristoph. *Pax* 1204 $\tau\acute{\eta}\nu\ \delta\acute{\epsilon}\ \kappa\alpha\tau\alpha\sigma\tau\omicron\lambda\acute{\eta}\nu\ \tau\omicron\upsilon\ \delta\rho\acute{\alpha}\mu\alpha\tau\omicron\varsigma\ \acute{\epsilon}\rho\omicron\iota\eta\sigma\epsilon\nu\ \theta\upsilon\omicron\iota\alpha\nu\ \tau\omicron\iota\varsigma\ \acute{\Lambda}\chi\alpha\rho\eta\nu\epsilon\iota$.

100. The first letter may be π .

116. The word before $\alpha\upsilon\tau()$ seems to be some part of either $\acute{\alpha}\rho\alpha\sigma\sigma\epsilon\nu$ or $\tau\alpha\rho\acute{\alpha}\sigma\sigma\epsilon\nu$.

117. $\kappa\upsilon\rho\acute{\iota}$ may be either $\kappa\upsilon\rho\iota\epsilon$ or $\kappa\upsilon\rho\acute{\iota}\alpha$ according to the view taken as to whether a change of speaker occurs at this point; cf. introd. It is not quite clear where the words added above l. 118 and in the margin were intended to be inserted. Crusius supposes that $\pi\acute{\alpha}\nu\tau\alpha\nu\ \sigma\upsilon\nu\ \dots\ \sigma\upsilon\nu\tau\epsilon\theta\rho\alpha\mu\mu(\acute{\epsilon}\nu\omega\nu)$ is resumptive of the previous conditional sentences, to which the apodosis is $\kappa\epsilon\nu\acute{o}\varsigma\ \dots\ \acute{\epsilon}\phi\acute{\alpha}\nu\eta$, the general sense being 'If women had the hard work to do that I have, you would be as little inclined to love as I.' $\sigma\{\epsilon\}$ after $\acute{\epsilon}\iota\ \delta\acute{\epsilon}$ is quite doubtful; the fibres of the papyrus are displaced.

119. There is barely room for an α at the beginning of the line, and the supposed α of $\alpha\upsilon\chi(\acute{\epsilon}\iota\varsigma)$ is more like \omicron .

120-152. 'So seize him, slaves, and drag him off to his fate; now bring out her also, gagged as she is. I bid you take them away to the two promontories, and bind them to the trees that lie there; then drag them far apart and take care that you keep each out of the other's sight, lest they die happy feasting their eyes upon each other; and when you have slain them, come in to me. I have said; and I will go within. What do you say? The gods have really appeared to you, and you were afraid? . . . Although he has escaped you, they shall not elude the desert guards. Now I wish to propitiate the gods, Spinther. Swear . . . say the sacrificial prayers. Since the gods are about to appear to us auspiciously, sing the praise of the gods in expectation. Knave, won't you do as you are told? What has happened . . .? Go in and see who it is. What does he say . . .? Look, lest the proud one too be within. I bid you remove this woman, and hand her over to the desert guards, and tell them to load her with iron and keep her carefully. Take her, drag her off, away with her! And do you search for him, and having slain him, cast out his body that I may see him dead. Come, Spinther and Malacus, with me. I will now go out and try to see with certainty if he be dead, that I may not again be carried away by strife. Thus will I address him (?). "Ah, see him here! Oh, poor wretch: would you be thus cast out rather than love me? How shall I mourn him as he lies deaf to my voice? . . . All strife is over! Cease . . . I will ease my ravished heart (?)."

130-1. The displacement of the fibres of the papyrus at the ends of these lines much interferes with their decipherment. At the end of l. 131 the letters *κει . οι* are certain, and *ἐκείνοι* seems almost inevitable, though the singular *διεφύγευ* is awkward. It appears, however, from ll. 140 sqq. that only the male slave had escaped. In l. 130 *ἀφ[α]ν(οι)* would suit the context, though not the traces on the papyrus.

138. *μανη* seems certain and is perhaps for *μαίνει*, but this is not very satisfactory. *τί γέγονεν ἐκείνη* cannot be read.

139. *ὁ ἐπερήφανος* seems to mean the slave who had scorned his mistress's attractions, and who had evidently succeeded in effecting his escape; cf. l. 143 *ἐκείνον ἀναζητήσαντες*.

147-152. It would at first sight appear from this passage that the slave had actually been caught and put to death, and that the sight of his dead body had filled his mistress with remorse. But the analogy of ll. 181 sqq. suggests that this lament may be only imaginary,—a forecast of what would be appropriate when the occasion came. *μένουνσι σῶοι* in l. 187 is also in favour of this explanation.

152. The first word is very uncertain. The doubtful *ρ* is more like *γ*, and *ῥη* might be read for *ῥε*, but *δε* *ῥηγμένως* does not fill up the space. *κεκ[α]σμένως* is also unsatisfactory. At the end of the line *ἀρῶ* hardly seems right.

153-87. 'Spinther, whence that crest-fallen look? Come up to me here, knave, in order that I may strain some wine. Come in, come in, knave; come here! Where are you walking from? Turn in here. Where is the half of your tunic, the half of it, I say? I will pay you in full for everything. This is my resolve, Malacus: to kill them all and sell their property, and then to withdraw somewhere or other. Now I wish to get the old man into my power before he has any idea of this; and I conveniently have a deadly drug which I will mix with some mead and give him to drink. So go to the broad door and call him as though for a reconciliation; let us too go, and communicate the affair of the old man to the parasite. Ho slave! The case is this, parasite.—Who is this? And she? What is the matter with her then? Unveil her that I may see her. I require your help. The case is this, parasite. I have repented and wish to be reconciled to the old man. Go then and see him, and bring him to me,

and I will go in and prepare your dinner.—I commend your speed, Malacus. Have you got the drug mixed and is the dinner ready? What? Malacus! here, take the mead. Unhappy man, I think the parasite is panic-stricken. Unhappy man, he laughs! Go along with him lest anything happen to him.—This has been done as I wished; let us go in and deliberate more securely about the rest. Malacus, everything has gone as I intended, if we also make away with the old man. Parasite, what has happened? Ah, how? Certainly, for I now have them all in my power. Come, parasite! What do you want then? Spinther, give me poison enough. Parasite, I am afraid I shall laugh. You are right. I say—what ought I to say? My father and lord, to whom are you leaving me? I have lost my freedom of speech, my glory, my light of liberty! You were my lord.—Thus let me mourn him (though I speak not truly).—Woe to thee, wretched, hapless, miserable, loveless one! Woe to you, woe to me! For I know who you are. Hateful Spinther, bring the block for this man! Who is this again?—They are still safe, master!

154. The letter before σ in $\delta\omega\lambda\acute{\iota}\sigma\omega$ looks more like η than ϵ , but $\delta\omega\lambda\acute{\iota}\sigma\omega$ must in any case have been intended.

166. A female character enters at this point, but there is no clue to her identity. $\chi\rho\epsilon\acute{\iota}\alpha\nu$ σου $\xi\chi\omega$ may be addressed either to her or the parasite.

173. $\pi\alpha\nu\acute{\alpha}\lambda\eta\mu\pi\tau\omicron\varsigma$ in the sense of $\pi\alpha\nu\acute{\iota}\kappa\acute{\omicron}\varsigma$ appears to be a new word. $\pi\alpha\nu\acute{\alpha}\lambda\eta\mu\pi\tau\omicron\varsigma$ might equally well—perhaps better—be read, but is more difficult.

184. $\acute{\alpha}\phi\epsilon\varsigma$ is very doubtful and hardly fills the available space, but the letters at the beginning of this line, being over an erasure, are larger than elsewhere.

185-7. On the interpretation of this passage see introd. p. 44.

414. PHILOSOPHICAL FRAGMENT.

Fr. (a) 14.3 \times 11.8 cm.

Several fragments from a work of a philosophical nature, written in a good-sized and well-formed hand which seems to be a rather early specimen of the oval sloping style. In the formation of the letters and general appearance this MS. bears a decided resemblance to 20, and probably falls within the second century rather than the third. Columns iii and iv are on a detached piece of papyrus, but very likely succeed Col. ii immediately. The subject under discussion is poets and the poetic faculty. There is no indication that the treatise was cast in the form of a dialogue.

(a) Col. i.

[. . .] ἀνθρώπου ου

[. . .] πονηραν η

[. . .] θαι ηκιστα δ αν

Col. ii.

[κ]αλων και αισχρων

περι των δικαιο[ν]

κα[ι α]δικων περ[ι]

[τι]ς νεος ων τοιου
 5 [τον] τ[ι] επιτηδευ
 [οι] περι δε των ποι
 [ητ]ων ην εχω γνω
 [μη]ν λεξω ηδη γαρ
 [πολ]λων ηκουσα
 10 [ως] εστιν ωφελιμ[ον]
 [το]ις ποιημασιν
 [. . .]ειν α·οι προτε
 [ροι κα]τελιπον·
 [. . . γα]ρ απ αυτων
 15 [. . .]αν ειναι
 [.]ιδι· . .

20 των θειων· περ[ι] των
 εν Αιδου· περ[ρ]ι γο[ρ]
 νης ανθρω[πων]
 περ[ι] επ[ι]φ[ι]
 ματων· εικ[ι]
 25 ουν[ι] . .]σιν[ι]
 σθαι α[ι]
 περ τ[ι]
 ποιη[ι]
 [. .]δε[ι]
 30 π[ι]
 α[ι]

(b) Col. iii.

[π]ροεπι
 τ[ι] περι τ[ι]
 των περι[ι]
 35 του ακουσα[ι] και ποι
 ητης μοι δ[οκ]ει α
 πο ποι[ητου] α[μει]
 νων αν γενεσθαι·
 ανηρ δ[ε]
 40 ανα ε[ι]
 [. .] . . [.

Col. iv.

δε[ι]
 τοπ[ι]
 τοις [.
 45 μ[ι]
 σεις[ι]
 βηγ[ι]
 γαρ δ[ι]
 ηι π[ι]
 50 πολλ[ι]
 λεγο[ι]
 ξ ποιει[ι]
 α[ι]

 55 και ε[ι]
 τοιατ[ι]
 ο[ι]πο[ι]

(c)	(d)	(e)
· · ·	· · ·	· · ·
]σισπα[	]σξ·[	σι[
] χαριεν ι[	]τα· ειναι γα[ρ	μεν[
60 δ]ειξις αστ[	65]σει περια[	λωνε[
]τους ξυν[	]νεισ[	(end of column)
]ωνα[· · ·	
· · ·		
(f)	(g)	
· · ·	· · ·	
70]ιγα[]	
]ελια[	]ευ	
]· η[· · ·	
· · ·		

3-13. 'A young man would not practise such a thing in the least. As for the poets I will state my opinion concerning them. I have often been told that it is useful to be acquainted with the poems which are legacies of the past.'

3. The stop after *ηκιστα*, which is naturally connected with *αν*, is misplaced.

11-2. Blass suggests *ποιημασιν* [εν|τυχ]ειν, but though there is a small lacuna after *ποιημασιν* l. 11 is already long enough.

52. The meaning of the sign in the margin opposite this line is obscure.

415. ISAEUS?

10.4 × 3.9 cm.

A fragment from a lost speech of an Attic orator, which, if the restorations proposed by Mr. Smyly in ll. 6-8 are correct, is to be identified with the oration of Isaeus against Elpagoras and Demophanes. Not more than about half a dozen letters appear to be missing at the ends of the lines. The handwriting is a small and neat round uncial, which may be attributed to the second century. All three kinds of stops occur (the middle point in ll. 10 and 15) and occasional accents, which may be by the original scribe.

[ι]να ειδητ[ε] ω ανδ[ρες] Αθηναι	προτερον τε π[.
οι οτι αναγκαζομ[ενος] του	και εν τη ανακρι[σει] . .
αγωνα τουτονι [αγωνι	[α]νθρωπος μετρ[ιος] και
[ξ]ομαι. τουτο πρω[τον] υ	15 [επ]εικης· ει τι ε[.
5 [μ]ας βουλομαι διδ[α]ξαι	[. .]οι λαβειν δικην [. . . .
[ει] γαρ εβουληθησ[αν] Ελπα	[. .]οι βουλονται· σ[.
[γορ]ας ουτοσι και Δη[μο]φα	[. .]ν και πιστιν εν[.
[ν]ης· επι το σωμα [.	[.αι[. .]ιστας κατ[.
, λαθειν ουδέν, α . [.	20 εμω[. .]ειν τοι[.
10 νοι· ως αυτικα π[.	σιν· κ[α]ι αποδομε[.
πρου[κα]λεσαμην[ν]	[.]ς και ει τι τ[.

6. The traces after εβουληθη would suit any round letter ε, θ, ο, σ or φ. The plural in l. 10 suggests that εβουληθησ[αν] should be read, in which case Δη[in l. 7 must be another proper name.

9. The meaning of the semicircular signs placed below the line on either side of λαθειν ουδεν is obscure.

11-13. For the lacunae at the ends of ll. 11 and 13 Blass suggests γὰρ αὐτούς and οἱ αὐ.

416. ROMANCE ?

12 × 9.5 cm.

On the *recto* of this papyrus are parts of two columns of an alphabetical vocabulary, written in sloping third century uncials. The portion preserved deals with words beginning with στ, e.g. στειφος οι ομα[, στρεφει ελατ[, στρωμα εστα[, στ[ε]ιβει αρτι, [στ]ιλλει δενρε[, Στηνια τι αν[. On the *verso* of this is the fragment printed below which seems to come from some romance. This is written in a late third or early fourth century semi-uncial hand, with stops and occasionally other lection signs. Paragraphi apparently occur below ll. 9, 12, and 15, showing that not more than a few letters are lost at the beginnings of the lines ; possibly indeed there is nothing missing in front of ll. 4-5. But there is no sign of the termination of the lines to the right, and a connected sense is not attainable. Lines 8 sqq. describe a supernatural appearance of some deity.

.
]πο[. .]εχεωι[
]νθου εις ημας χ[ρ]ηστος εφ[α]νη [. . .]πο[. .]μ[

-]νευειν· σωματος μεχρι τελους ὕμιν τησδε[
] διαδοχον τον παιδα καταλεγ[ε]ν· και δη[.]οι παρα[
 5] . παρον εψηφισται γερας [ε]κατον και δεκα τε[
 [[] . σιν]] μηκνυμενον ετ[.]ηρι[.]τονα . . . ερ[
 Ασ]κληπιον προσδοκα επισπερχοντα ιτ . . ιν . . τιλ[
]ων εωρα θεον τινα σκοτιαιω προ . . γ . . ε[ι]
] πενθικην και φρεικ[ω]δη εχοντα [ο]ψιν [.] . α . [
 10]τρομησας ὦ ειπεν εταιροι τις εσθ' ουτος . [.] . . [
] πενθαλεος αμα και καταγ . [.]τικος [.]κ[
] . α . δεος εισερχεται ειποντων [.] [
]οχρη· αυχηρον δ εμφανι[ω]ν οψ[ι]ν [. . .] . [.] . [
]ειναι· καταρρηξαμενος τη[ν] εσθη[τα] . [.] . [.]ι[
 15] προσεδραμεν αυτω· και . ρν . [
] ὦ μοι των αμαρτηθεντων [ε]
 τ]ου σωματος αικιζομενου . [. . .]μ[.] .]νβ[ι]
 ευ]ωχουμενος εν ὧ εδει μεκ . ε . τιγ[ι]
]ε[ι]ν τας ἴσας αναδεδεγμ[ε]νας ὀλω[
 20]μαντευτα ημιν η φυσις σκα[.] . [.] . ε[
]τεν ἱμ[.] . . .]εστωτας [. . .]α επιτο[.]ε[.] . . δ[ι]
]αφ[.] . . .]ωχετο· και αμ ειχε . . . αλλ[

15. There is a light and apparently accidental stroke drawn diagonally through αυτω.

19. Or perhaps]εν τας.

21. The diacresis and rough breathing over ι are somewhat doubtful. The breathing over ω in l. 18 is rather different.

417. ROMANCE?

14.3 × 9.7 cm. (Fr. a).

Parts of two columns, with some small detached pieces, from a prose treatise of a rather uncertain character. Col. ii, which contains twenty more or less complete lines, is concerned with a woman named Theano whose son was carried off from the Scythians by a certain Hippasus (?). Theano, after being assured

in a dream by 'the goddess' that she would recover her son, went to Oropus with Eunice, apparently a friend. This looks rather like a fragment of some romance; or it might perhaps be the work of a scholiast or mythologer—though the characters are otherwise unknown to fame. The text is in a rather small round uncial hand strongly resembling that of 404, and probably dating from the earlier decades of the third century. The high and middle stops occur.

(a)	Col. i.	Col. ii.
	]κ[.] . [.]κδ̄η] . .
	]μενη καθ̄ εκα	]ιον
	]ν̄ απο του σ[.	[.]νπ[.] . [.]]ν
	]ᾱ ως δ̄ ουδεν	20 <i>Ευνεικην̄ ποιησατο</i>
5	]νω̄ τους̄ μεν	ην̄ δε̄ αυτη̄ η̄ Θεαν̄ μη
	]	τηρ̄ τ[ο]ν̄ παιδος̄ τοῡ Ιστοῡ
	]σ̄	ον̄ [.] . . [.] . [Σ]κυθων̄ ο̄ Ιππα
	]σκα	σ[ο]ς̄ α[ι]χ[μ]αλωτον̄ ειληφεῑ
	]αῑ	25 <i>αρπαγεντος̄ δε̄ αυτοῡ οῡ</i>
10	]κη̄	κ̄ ενεγκουσᾱ την̄ συμφο
	]εν̄	ραν̄ ἱκετις̄ εν̄[εστ]η̄ [κ]α
	]αῑιδε̄	τ̄ οναρ̄ της̄ θεοῡ [χ]ρ̄ονον̄
	]ειν̄	δ[.] . [κ] . [.] . . . [.] . [.]εν̄ε
	]μο̄ς	30 <i>τρεψαν̄ τελ[ε]νταιον̄ δε̄ κε̄</i>
15	]ην̄	λευεῑ αυτην̄ η̄ θεος̄ απαλ
	]κεν̄	λαττεσθαῑ την̄ εῑ . . φ
	. . .	να[.] ως̄ [δ]η̄ τ[ο]ν̄ πα[ι]δᾱ
	. . .	απ[ο]ληψομενη̄ η̄ δε̄ πε
(b) (Top of a column)	]τρειβε[	35 <i>[ρι]χ[αρ]ης̄ ουσᾱ παραλαβοῡ</i>
	]ησκ̄ . [.]τ[	[σᾱ τη̄ν̄ Ευνεικην̄ η̄ει
	]ρο̄το̄ εῡσ[	[.] . . ]ν̄ επ̄ Α[θ]η[νας̄] επῑ τη̄ν̄
	]ησυν̄ . [	[Ω]ρωπον̄ καῑ το̄ το̄ν̄ Αμ
45	] . [	[φι]αρεω̄ γε̄ . . [.]ν̄ . [.] . .
	. . .	40 [.] . [.] επεῑ εγεν[ετ]ο̄ τ[.]

(c)

(d)

]ρν[
]και . . [
 []
]ωνδ[
 50]ν[

]σπ[
]δε[
] . [
]ν[

23. The traces of the letter before [Σ]κνθων would suit ν or ι, but not α, ο or κ. [τω]ν suits the lacuna better than a preposition, but then a title instead of a proper name is required after [Σ]κνθων; ιππα[ρ]χ[ο]ς, however, cannot be read.

39. The vestiges following ρεω do not suit ιeron very well, but ρεωι ιερ[ον] is a possible reading.

418. SCHOLIA ON HOMER, *Iliad* I.

27.7 × 12 cm.

An imperfect column of a commentary upon Book I of the *Iliad*, written in a large and clear cursive hand at the end of the first or early in the second century. The information provided is principally of a mythological character, and since l. 399 is discussed immediately after l. 264 the papyrus very likely consists of a series of excerpts. There are very close resemblances to Schol. A, which in several passages exhibits an inferior text; and considering the early date of the papyrus it is not unlikely that the commentary in question was one of the sources used in compiling the scholia in A which give mythological details. It shows traces of Didymean influence (cf. l. 24, note), but was probably derived directly or indirectly from Apollodorus (cf. ll. 9-22, note). The lines commented on are for the sake of clearness printed in capitals.

[11 letters γυναικας· οθεν αυτους [οι Λα (i. 263)
 [πιθαι καταστα]ντες εις πολεμον εκ του [Πη
 [λιου ορους διω]κουσι εις Μαλαιαν ορος της
 [Πελοποννησο]ν οπου Ηρακλης αυτους διε[
 5 [φθειρεν ην δε] Πειριθους παις Διος Δια [
 [γαρ] διατρειβουσα Διῖ μεταβα[[λ]]λον[

- [τι την φύσιν εἰς ἵππον ἐμίγη καὶ Πειρίθου]ν
[ἐγεννήσεν]
- [ΚΑΙΝΕΑ Τ ΕΞΑΔΙΟ]Ν ΤΕ ΚΑΙ ΑΝΤΙΘΕΟΝ ΠΟΛΥΦΗΜΟΝ 264
- 10 [ο Καινεὺς Ἐλατου] μὲν παῖς Λαπιθῶν δὲ βασιλεὺς
[πρῶτον παρθένος] εὐπρεπὴς ἐγένετο· δι.
[..... μίγει]τος αὐτῇ Ποσιδῶνος αἰτήσα[με
[ν]η μεταβαλεῖν ν[ε]αν[εῖ]ας ἀτρώτος γίνεταί· γέν
[ναιότατος δὲ τ]ῶν καθ' αὐτὸν υπάργας τὸν [
15 [..... τῆς ἡγε]μονίας οὐκ ἐβαστάσεν ἐξέ[τε
[λίσας δὲ καὶ το]υς θεοὺς παρ' οὐδέν ἐποιῇ
[σατο καὶ ποτε π]ῆξας ἀκοντίον ἐν [μ[ε]σῇ τῇ
[13 letters .] αγορά τοῦτο θεὸν π[ρ]οσετα
[ξε νομίζειν· Ζεὺ]ς δὲ ἀγανακτήσα[ς Κεν]ταν
20 [ροῖς πολεμου]ντα καί περ ἀτρ[ω]το[ν] ὄντα ὑπο
[χείριον ἐποίησ]εν· ἐλάταις γὰρ κα[ί] δρυσὶν
[οἱ Κενταυροὶ] αὐτὸν ἠρίσαν εἰς [γῆν
ΟΠΠ[ΟΤΕ ΜΙΝ] Ξ[ΥΝ]ΔΗCΑΙ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΟΙ Η[ΘΕ]Λ[ΟΝ] ΑΛΛΟΙ 399
γραφ[ου]σι τινες καὶ Φοῖβος Ἀπολλῶν· φ[α]σι γάρ
25 ὅτι Δίος ἐπικρατεστέρον χρωμένον [τῇ τῶν
θεῶν βασιλείᾳ Ποσιδῶν τε καὶ Ἥρα κα[ί] Ἀπολ
λῶν ἐπεβούλευσαν αὐτῶν· Θετὶς δὲ γνῶσα [παρὰ
Νηρεῶς τοῦ πατρὸς ὃς μαντὶς ἦν δηλοῖ τῶ[ι] Δι
τὴν ἐπιβουλὴν καὶ συμμαχὸν παραδίδωσι τ[ον]
30 Αἰγέωνα ἑκατονχέιρον Ποσιδῶνος παῖδα [
Ζεὺς δὲ Ἥραν μὲν ἐδήσεν Ποσιδῶνι δὲ κ[αί]
[Ἀπολλῶ]νι προστάσσει θητεῦσαι Λαομέδοντι

3. 1. Μαλέαν.
30. 1. Αἰγαιῶνα.

26. σ of βασιλεια corr. from λ.
32. α of θητευσαι corr. from ι.

28. ο of ὃς corr. from μ.

1-8. Cf. Schol. A on l. 263 . . . ὑβρίζειν ὅσαι τῶν Ἑλληνίδων παρῆσαν γυναικῶν ὅθεν οἱ Λαπίθαι συστάδην μαχεσάμενοι διώκουσιν αὐτοὺς εἰς Μαλέαν ὄρος τῆς Πελοποννήσου. ἡ δὲ τινι ἀναστρεφόμενη μεταβαλόντι τὴν φύσιν εἰς ἵππον διεμίγη καὶ τὸν προειρημένον ἐγέννησε Πειρίθου δὲ ὠνομάσθη ἀπὸ τοῦ περιθεῖν ἵππῳ ὁμοιωθέντα τὸν Δία ἐν τῷ μίγνυσθαι τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ. The papyrus omits the explanation of Pirithous' name, but is much more explicit regarding his parentage than the scholium, in which ἡ δὲ has nothing to refer to, while τινι makes no sense and is probably corrupt for Διί.

9-22. Cf. Schol. A on l. 264 ὁ Καινεὺς Ἐλάτου μὲν ἦν παῖς Λαπιθῶν δὲ βασιλεὺς, πρότερον ἦν παρθένος εὐπρεπής, μιγέντος δὲ αὐτῇ Ποσειδῶνος αἰτησαμένη μεταβαλεῖν εἰς ἄνδρα ἢ νεάνις ἄρρωτος γίνεται γενναίωτος τῶν καθ' αὐτὸν ὑπάρξας, καὶ δὴ ποτε πῆξας ἀκόντιον ἐν τῷ μεσαιτάῳ τῆς ἀγορᾶς θεὸν τοῦτο προσέταξεν ἀριθμεῖν. δι' ἣν αἰτίαν ἀγανακτήσας ὁ Ζεὺς τιμωρίαν τῆς ἀσθενείας παρ' αὐτοῦ εἰσπράξατο. μαχόμενον γὰρ αὐτὸν τοῖς Κενταύροις καὶ ἄρρωτον ὄντα ὑποχείριον ἐποίησε· βαλόντες γὰρ αὐτὸν οἱ προειρημένοι δρυσί τε καὶ ἐλάταις ἤρρισαν εἰς γῆν. This is almost identical with the papyrus, but is more compressed in some parts and more expanded in others. As before, the papyrus exhibits the better text, (1) by avoiding the repetition of ἦν in the first sentence, (2) by having νεανίας in place of ἢ νεάνις which is detrimental to both sense and construction, and in the light of the papyrus should be corrected to νεανίας. Blass suggests δ'ια | δε το καλλος for the lacuna in ll. 11-2, and τον με|γαν ογκον for that in ll. 14-5.

In the epitome of Apollodorus I. 22 (ed. Wagner, p. 181) the story of Caeneus is related more briefly: ὅτι Καινεὺς πρότερον ἦν γυνή, συνελθόντος δὲ αὐτῇ Ποσειδῶνος ἡτήσατο ἀνὴρ γενέσθαι ἄρρωτος· διὸ καὶ ἐν τῇ πρὸς Κενταύρους μάχῃ τραυμάτων καταφρονῶν πολλοὺς τῶν Κενταύρων ἀπώλεσεν, οἱ δὲ λοιποὶ περιστάντες αὐτῷ ἐλάταις τύποντες ἔχωσαν εἰς γῆν. The version of the papyrus may well represent another epitomizing of Apollodorus.

24. It is remarkable that the variant Φοῖβος Ἀπόλλων in place of Παλλὰς Ἀθήνη occurs in l. 400 not in l. 399, and that the story of the conspiracy of Hera, Posidon, and Apollo against Zeus follows as a kind of justification for the variation. As Apollo played an important part in the legend, this order is really more logical than that found in Schol. A, which first gives the story of the plot in connexion with l. 399 and then discusses the variant Φοῖβος Ἀπόλλων, which is ascribed to Zenodotus but rejected as inappropriate. The account in Schol. A is as follows:—Ζεὺς παραλοβῶν τὴν ἐν οὐρανῷ διοίκησιν περισσῶς τῇ παρρησίᾳ ἐχρήτο πολλὰ αἰθιδῇ διαπρασσύμενος. Ποσειδῶν δὲ καὶ Ἥρα καὶ Ἀπόλλων καὶ Ἀθηνᾶ ἐβούλοντο αὐτὸν δῆσαντες ὑποτάξαι. Θέτις δὲ ἀκούσασα παρὰ τοῦ πατρὸς Νηρέως (ἦν γὰρ μάντις) τὴν Διὸς ἐπιβουλὴν ἔσπευσε πρὸς αὐτὸν ἐπαγομένη Λιγαίωνα φόβητρον τῶν ἐπιβουλευόντων θεῶν· ἦν δὲ θαλάσσιος δαίμων οὗτος καὶ τὸν πατέρα Ποσειδῶνα κατεβράβευεν. ἀκούσας δὲ ὁ Ζεὺς Θέτιδος τὴν μὲν Ἥραν ἐν τοῖς καθ' αὐτοῦ δεσμοῖς ἐκρέμασε, Ποσειδῶνι δὲ καὶ Ἀπόλλωνι τὴν παρὰ Λαομέδοντι θητείαν ἐψηφίσαστο τῇ δὲ Θέτιδι τὴν Ἀχιλλέως τιμὴν εἰς τὰ μετὰ ταῦτα ἐταμεύσαστο, ἰστορεῖ Δίδυμος. The parallelism between this and the papyrus is marked, though the papyrus is somewhat shorter and varies the phraseology. The mention of Athena in the scholium, but not in the papyrus, is due to the slightly different point of view from which the legend is brought forward. If the scholium gives the actual words of Didymus, the papyrus would seem to be a secondary commentary based upon his notes; but on the other hand the papyrus may express Didymus' language more exactly, and the scholium be an expansion.

419. EURIPIDES, *Archelaus*.

9.2 x 4.6 cm.

A narrow strip containing parts of sixteen lines from the *Archelaus* of Euripides, written in round rather irregular uncials of medium size, which are of the second or third century. The identification of the fragment, which we owe to Blass, rests upon the coincidence of what remains of ll. 8-9 with a quota-

tion from the *Archelaus* in Stobaeus, *Flor.* 7. 5 (Fr. 275, Nauck). Lines 1-12 are trochaic tetrameters, which are succeeded at l. 13 by a *χορικόν*. Several corrections have been made in the text, perhaps by the original hand, to which also the stops and occasional accents, &c., may be due.

	ν μεν [	ν' ει δ ευτυχής ^{ου} [[ω]]σ[
	ρουνμα[	εστω το λοιπον [
	κτεινοντ' άχ[ρηστον?	ανδρα χρη δια των [
	? αν[ισως εμελλε π[	ν αμεραν
5	ηθεις παρωτε[	15 ει γαρ αι τυχα[ι
	β αναξ καθιζε π[	ι τόν θρε ^κ [[ό]]
	τω παι προβαλλ[ε	
	εν δε σοι μονον προφωνώ [μη πι δουλειαν ποτε	
	ζων εκων] ελθης παρον σθ[ι κατθανειν ελευθερος	
10	των εσωθε[[ν]] κα[

420. ARGUMENT OF EURIPIDES' *Electra*.

15.7 x 9.2 cm.

PLATE VI.

A fragment of a brief account of the recognition of Orestes by Electra through the intermediary of an old man, and almost certainly part of a hitherto unknown *ύπόθεσις* of Euripides' *Electra*, covering ll. 341-584. The *verso* has been used for writing an account in a cursive hand of the late third century. The writing on the *recto*, which is of a common type (cf. Plate VI), probably dates from about the middle of the same century.

... [.] . . τους ανδρας εισαγειν	[τον Ορεστη]ν ο δ ουκ εμελ[λεν
μ . [. . .]ων πενιχρων μεν αλλ α[λ	[. α]λλ ωμολογησεν α[. . .
λοτριων ξενιων μεθεξοντας [αυ	15 [12 letters]νς αρ[.]ωνα[. . .
τος δε τ[α] προσφορα τη σπουδη κο	[15 „] . σ . τ[ο] . . .

5	μιων απηλθεν πυθομενος δε τ[ο ε	[16 letters	[μα[. . .
	ργ[ο]ν ο πρεσβυτης ο τον Ορεστην	[17 „	]ογτ[. . .
	[. .] . . θρεψας ηλθεν Ηλεκ[τ]ρ[α	[17 „	]υμα[. . .
	ξεν[ια] φερων α τοις κατ αγρον μι	20 [18 „	]εις δυ[. . .
	σ[θιο]ι[ς] η χωρα προικα δωρεται θε	[17 „	]ιν τουτ[. .
10	ασαμενος δε τον Ορεστην και χρο	[18 „	]γεινετ[αι
	[ος σημα]ντηρας ανενεγ[κας		
	δισσα[φει π]ρος την Ηλεκ[τ]ραν		

1-14. '(Auturgus wished) to introduce the heroes to his house to partake of a poor but . . . hospitality, and himself went off to fetch offerings suitable for his zeal. The old man who had brought up Orestes hearing of the matter came bringing for Electra such gifts as the country freely presents to rustic hirelings, and seeing Orestes and declaring the marks on his skin revealed him to Electra. He made no delay . . . but confessed . . .'

2-3. α[λ]λοτριων: no other reading seems possible, for not more than one or two letters are lost in the lacuna, but αλλοτριων is not satisfactory as the antithesis to πενιχρων. The reference is apparently to *El.* 362-3 και γάρ ει πένης έφυν, ουτοι τό γ' ήθος δυσγενές παρέξομαι: cf. *ibid.* 420-32.

4. In *El.* 408-31 Auturgus is sent by Electra to fetch the πρεσβύτης, and directs Electra to attend to the strangers. But this discrepancy can hardly outweigh the marked agreement in other respects between the papyrus and Euripides' drama.

11. σημα]ντηρας: χαράκτηρ is the word used by Euripides, *El.* 572.

421-434. POETICAL FRAGMENTS.

We here group together a number of miscellaneous fragments in verse, which do not seem to be extant and which are too small to be of much value. Of these four (421-3 and 434) are in hexameters, three (424-6) are lyrical, seven (427-39) are in iambics, chiefly comic.

421 consists of the ends of nineteen hexameter lines written in a second century uncial hand with occasional breathings, accents, stops, and marks of quantity. The subject of the fragment is the parentage of Bellerophon and the gift of Pegasus (who is not mentioned by Homer). There are no indications that the poem was a late epic, and several phrases suggest Hesiod as the author.

422 contains parts of eleven much mutilated hexameter lines, written in

rather large and well-formed uncials of the square sloping type, and dating probably from the third century. A battle scene is apparently being described; Heracles is mentioned in l. 9 and part of another name occurs in l. 4. The vocabulary suggests that the fragment comes from some Alexandrian epic.

423 is a strip from the bottom of a column, containing on the *verso* parts of thirteen hexameters in a large and rather rough uncial hand apparently of the third century. The *recto* of the papyrus is blank. The high stop occurs several times and marks of elision and accents were used. The subject of the fragment is obscure; a reference to the Nile is noticeable in l. 13, while Hermes is mentioned in l. 4.

424 contains a fragment of three stanzas in Sapphic metre, probably by Sappho herself, written in a heavy uncial hand of the third century resembling that of the Oxyrhynchus Sappho fragment already published (7). Accents and stops are found, the high point in ll. 6 and 10, the middle point in l. 5 (?). The form ἀρέπαις (= ἐρέπαις) in l. 9 is of some interest, since the *a* was hitherto doubtful for the Lesbian dialect; cf. Meister, *Greich. Dial.* p. 41.

425 is a short extract from some lyric poem copied out as a school exercise. This is indicated partly by the character of the handwriting, which is a large irregular uncial, partly by the fact that the papyrus is complete in itself; and the inferior spelling points to the same conclusion. Below the last line are a series of dashes. The excerpt is of the nature of an invocation such as might have come at the beginning of the poem, which does not appear from this specimen to have been of a very high-class quality. The metrical scheme is $\underline{\cup\cup} - \underline{\cup\cup} - \underline{\cup} \cup\cup -$. The date of the MS. is second or third century.

A more valuable fragment is 426, a long narrow strip containing parts of thirty-two lines from a lyric poem in dactylo-epitritic metre and Pindaric style, which is not improbably to be attributed to Pindar himself. Unfortunately the piece is so mutilated that little can be done in the way of restoration, though a few lines in the middle which concern Melampus are intelligible. The text is written on the *verso* of the papyrus in a rather uncultivated uncial hand which may be assigned to the third century; on the *recto* is part of a cursive document dating from the latter half of the century preceding.

427 is also a fragment of some importance. It consists of the latter parts of the three closing lines of a play, below which is the title $\lambda\alpha\nu\omicron\nu\varsigma \mid]\pi\omicron\gamma\omicron\nu\iota\alpha$. There can be little question that Blass is right in reading this [$\Lambda\nu\tau\iota\phi\lambda\acute{\alpha}\nu\omicron\nu\varsigma$ [$\Lambda\nu\theta\rho\omega$] $\pi\omicron\gamma\omicron\nu\iota\alpha$, and that the papyrus furnishes another example of the dangers of rejecting definite ancient evidence on *a priori* considerations. A $\Theta\epsilon\omicron\gamma\omicron\nu\iota\alpha$ of Antiphanes is mentioned by Irenaeus (ii. 14), who gives a lengthy excerpt from it; this, however, was rejected by Meineke (i. pp. 318 sqq.), who maintained that it was derived from

the *Birds* of Aristophanes, and Kock accordingly omits the extract given by Irenaeus from his collection of the *Comicorum Fragmenta*. But it can hardly be doubted after the actual occurrence of the title Ἀντιφάνους Ἀνθρωπογονία that the testimony of Irenaeus concerning the Θεογονία of the same writer is perfectly trustworthy; though whether they were two distinct works, or one work known by two names, remains uncertain. The text is written on the *verso* of the papyrus in a square or oval sloping uncial hand (cf. 420) of the third century; on the *recto* are parts of three lines in second century cursive.

428 contains the ends of nine iambic lines of a comedy, or possibly a tragedy, written in a small semi-uncial hand, which is more likely to belong to the second century than to the third. A short diagonal dash at the top of the line is used as a mark of punctuation.

429 is another comic fragment, containing the beginnings of fourteen iambic lines written in a large and handsome uncial of the square sloping type characteristic of the third century; cf. 420. On the *verso* is part of a document in cursive dating from the end of the century. A paragraphus below l. 9 marks a change of speaker. In ll. 10-2 a marriage is being arranged, which may indicate that the conclusion of the play was not far off. A very deep margin at the top of the column is noticeable.

430 consists of parts of eight lines in comic iambs from the top of a column, written on the *verso* of a second or early third century account. Marks of elision and high stops occur, but no breathings or accents. The writing on the *verso* is probably but little later than that on the *recto*.

431 consists of parts of twelve lines of a dialogue in comic iambs, written in an uncial hand resembling the square sloping type, but more probably second century than third. Changes of speaker are indicated by paragraphi and, when in the middle of a line, by blank spaces.

432 contains the beginnings of seventeen lines apparently from a comedy, written in a small uncial hand upon the *verso* of a second or early third century account. A correction in l. 15 and marginal notes opposite ll. 2 and 8 have been added in a more cursive hand, but probably by the original scribe. Changes of speaker are indicated by paragraphi and, when in the middle of a line, by double dots (cf. 409). The marginal notes seem from their position to refer to the speakers, but the names (Πητορικ(ός) or ῖητορικ(ός) and Ἀρίφ(ρων) or Ἀριφ(ράδης)) are curious. The writing on the *verso* may be assigned to the third century. Between ll. 13 and 14 is a blank space sufficient for two lines.

433 contains the ends and beginnings of iambic lines from the upper parts of two columns. The MS. seems to have been of a magical character, giving directions for a series of spells or incantations, the objects of which are indicated

by short marginal notes; cf. ll. 22, 28, and 33. The hand is a small semi-uncial which may be of the end of the second or more probably of the first half of the third century.

434 is apparently a fragment from a hexameter poem, perhaps a *thrēnos* or *ἐπιτάφιος*. Groups of a few lines (usually four) are separated by a shorter line, which may have contained a refrain. Parts of two columns remain, written in rather large coarse uncials, probably of the third century. On the *verso* is some more writing in a similar but more cursive hand.

421.

7.8 × 4.7 cm.

			] νεφεληγερετα Ζεύς
	] ποσε[		κ]αρηατι μη ποτ οπασ[σαι ?
	] λ' ὄν γ[		] ντου Σισυφίδαο
	Παν]δειονίδαο		εν] αγκοίνησι μίγει[σα ?
	] άξατο Παλλας Αθη[νη	15	] αμνμονα Βελλ[εροφοντην
5	] τε γαρ ἴσα θεοισι		] κτηι επ απείρονα π[οντον
	ει]ματος αργυφειο		πα]τηρ πορε Πηγασο[ν ιππον
	] δ' απο είδος άητο·		] μιν επτε[το ?
	] ης πειρήσατο βουλα[ις		] εξηταιαλ[
	Διο]ς νοον αιγιοχοιο		
10	] ήμενος ήλθε γυνα[ικ		

3. Blass suggests Εὐρυνόμη Νίσου θυγάτηρ at the beginning of the line, comparing Hyginus, *Fab.* 157, where Eurynome (called by Apollodorus I. 85 Eurymeda) is said to have been the mother of Bellerophon. Lines 4-15 refer to the wooing of her by Glaucus son of Sisyphus and father of Bellerophon.

6. Cf. Hesiod, *Theog.* 574 ἀργυφῆ ἐσθῆτι.

7. Cf. Hesiod, *Scut.* 7-8 τῆς καὶ ἀπὸ κρήθεν βλεφάρων τ' ἀπὸ κνανέων τοῖον ἄηθ' οἷόν τε πολυχρύσου Ἀφροδίτης.

12. Probably ἀνενευε κ]αρηατι: cf. *Il.* x. 205.

17. πα]τηρ: i. e. Posidon, who gave him Pegasus. For the different stories concerning Bellerophon's parentage cf. Schol. Pind. *Ol.* xiii. 98 τῷ μὲν λόγῳ ὁ Βελλεροφόντης Γλαύκου ἐστί, τῇ δ' ἀληθείᾳ Ποσειδῶνος.

422.

12.8 × 17 cm.

]αμωι τετανυστο παρηορ[ος . . .]στωι
] . . . κατ[ο]ιο τοκ[.]ιτελι . [.]νκ[.]δ[.] . .]ντο
]νιοφιν μαλα περ χατ[εο]ντες αρ[ωγ]ης

]ειδαο δαῖφρονα τη[. . .] . γα
 5 θα]νατοιο κατελλαβεν[αλλιτος αισα [
] μεν ετι ζων [α]περυκανε χαρμ[ην
] . κ . . αλχ[. .] . α[.] κατθετο μυθο[
]πρ[.] λλεμεν νια
] ισ[.] ε Ηρακληα
 10 αδ]ηκοτ αν ηματα μηκ[ει
] . οτι δ[[ε]]ινησαντ[.]

1. Mr. T. W. Allen suggests that the line may be completed *παρ ποτ]αμοι . . . αγχ Ογχη]στωι*. The second supplement is too long for the lacuna, but the repetition of the letters γχ might have caused an omission in the papyrus.

5. Cf. *IL*. xxiv. 428 ἐν θανάτοιο περ αἴση. αλλιτος is for ἀλιστος like πολύλλιτος for πολύλλιστος in Callim. *Ap.* 80, *Del.* 316, &c.

423.

9.8 x 6.6 cm.

]οσευμενε[. .] [
] και αυτος εγωγε [
]μυθων ρητης κα[
]τεροις τον αιδο[ν
]ε γαρ αθανatoi [
 10]λος αμμι' αμ ηλυθ[
]δ' Ερμειας μα[
]αιρων ανεβης χ[
 5]ν ηπιοδωρον ομ[
]σηλυθετον' αμφω ε[
] πτωχον εχοντ[
]π]λημ(μ)υρων Νιλος διε[
]ον' ομοφροσυν[

3. What we have supposed to be a stop might perhaps be the top of the cross-bar of a τ.

424.

6 x 3.1 cm.

]αισεπ[
]ν ατέραις με[
] . αι[
 10]η φρενας' εύ[
]κου[
]α τοις μακα[
]αι
]

5] . αζε' []α[
]χις' συννημ[.
] . ης κακοτατο[ς
]μεν

425.

11.4 × 9.5 cm.

[ν]αυται βυθοκνα ^μ	τα πλεοντες υδατη
[τ]οδρομοι αλιων Τρι	την συνκρισιν ειπα
τωνες υδατων	τε φιλοι πελαγους
και Νιλωτε γλυκυ	και Νειλου γονι
5 δρομοι τα γελων	10 μου

'Ye sailors who skim the waves' depths, Tritons of the briny waters, and Nilots who sail in happy course upon the laughing waters, tell us, friends, of the 'formation(?) of the sea and of the fruitful Nile.'

4. Νιλωτε is for Νειλωται. The second υ of γλυκυ is corrected from κ.

6. 1. ὕδατα.

426.

24.3 × 5 cm.

] <td>] </td>]
] <td>] </td>]
κ]ελευσεν Φοιβος []
] πολεμαινετον υ[	20]ονες ω ανα τοι[
5] εκ ναου τε και παρ[]
] <td>] </td>]
] . κισεν ταν(υ)φυλλον []
] <td>] </td>]
] φασιν εις	25]σσωνα[
10]λετ' εν δε χρον[ωι	] επιβο[
]εξ εξ αλικων τεμ[]
]ς εξ Αργευσ Μελαμ[πους]
^a] <td>] . τενεο[</td>] . τενεο[
]μον τε Πυθαει κτισε[	30]κωμα[

15] τέμενος ξάθειον] δε τοισ[
]ας απο ρίζας το δε χρ[]οιπελ[

12. ε of αργεος corr. from ο. 13. α of μαθ corr. from ο.

10. εν δε χρο[ωι: cf. Pindar, *Pyth.* iv. 291, &c.

13. αμυθαονιδας is for 'Αμυθαονιδας, the patronymic of Melampus; cf. Pindar Fr. 179 ὑφαίνω δ' 'Αμυθαονιδαισιν ποικίλον ἄνθημα.

14-7. Blass restores these lines βωμόν τε Πυθαεῖ κτίσε[ν | καί] τέμενος ξάθειον | [κείν]ας ἀπὸ ρίζας· τὸ δὲ χρ[υσοκόμας | ἐξό]χως τίμασ' 'Απόλλων, comparing Pind. *Nem.* vi. 35 ἀπὸ ταύτας αἶμα πάτρας and *Ol.* ix. 69 ἐξόχως τίμασεν. For ρίζα in the sense of *stirps* cf. *Ol.* ii. 50 ὅθεν σπέρματος ἔχοντα ρίζαν.

18. αἰγλαίαι may perhaps contain a reference to Aglaea who was the wife of Amythaon according to Diod. Sic. 4. 69.

427. 9.9 × 6.7 cm.

] ἄνδρες οἱ γεγεννημένοι
] πάντες ευρωστώσ αμα
τον] βιον διαξέετε

Αντιφ]ανοῡς

5 Ανθρω]πογονῑα

1-3. The sense seems to be 'You shall all enjoy prosperity if you applaud my play.'

428. 5.1 × 5 cm.

]καθη[.]] με]ταφερουσα τους νομους []
]οισιν η [φ]ρασεν']ουσιν ευμενειν'
]ος εκλη[θ]ης βαρβαρος]ν ουτος ο θρονος
]τα χρη παντως μαθειν']ρα'
5] . s' η δ εξουσια

429. 15 × 10.4 cm.

εγω δ[.]τ[] εμοι δ επεδ[]
και τη . [] ινα τας θυρας []
ουθεις υ[] 10 παιδων επ αρ[τω γνησιων

εις αρπα[γ
 5 λαχης εν[
 ουκ οίδα δ . [
 ως γιτονες συνεδ[

εφ η̄περ ο πατ̄η[ρ
 τα φιλτα' ω παι χ[
 [α]λλουτο[. . .]το[
 προτερ . [

7. The doubled dots at the top of the line after *ως* are remarkable, for neither a change of speaker or a stop seems at all likely at that point.

10. Cf. 211. 38-9.

11. εφ η̄περ: sc. προικί?

430. 5 × 4.7 cm.

]ων μεν ανδρες ου[
] παρ αυτ[.]ν αδικησω[
]ηι τι θαττον' ουθ[
]αρ ευθυς ουτος αυτ' [
 5]ωρσεν αυτον' εκ[
]στρεψας παλιν πρ[
]των οικετ' εκ της [
]αισ[

431. 6 × 6.2 cm.

[15 letters]ε[
 αξιος επαινεισθαι δρ[
 ου μη διαφυγηις πω[
 [8 letters] φημι τη μεν[
 5 [8 "]μενην οικ[
 [6 " με]ταμελει μοι [
 [8 "] . η . ν μεταμ[ελ
 [10 "]αι συ παι[
 [10 "] ειμι [

432. 12.8 × 3 cm.

. . . .
 και των[
]ητορικ() ουτοι μ[
 τοιουτ[
 ανδρες [
 5 τοιαντ[
 ταδεξι[
 κεκραμ[
]αριφ() αυτη : μ[
 μετ εμ[
 10 καλλι[
 καινοι[
 καιτοι[
 απαντ[
 [
 [
 συ γαρ γν[
 ολιστα[
 15 [ηδετω[
 απληστ[
 συ δ ουχ[

10 [10 letters]ς. εἰμι μ[
 [10 „]ε μ[
 [10 „]μ. [

431. 3. Second ι of διαφυγῆς inserted later.

433.

8.7 x 9 cm.

Col. i.

Col. ii.

]αλει εν ναω τεχε[. .
]
 γυ]ναιξι τε
] ποντου θελης
 πρ]οηδικηκοτας
 5]ομοιμ[. . . .
 3 lines lost.
]αποτρε[. . .
 10] ιδιον θεον καλω
]ειρης τινα
]ας τρις δωδεκα
]ροις ανθειςιν
]μια σπενδων γαλα
 15]ων συνωριδα
]ν επι ξυλων
]πτην καλων
]ρος δυσμας ορω
]ς νυκ[.

[
 20 εαν δι
 σφραγ[ι
 θυμο^{κα} παυσα[
 [4 lines lost.
 Ερμην κικλη[σκ
 μειση^{θρον} στυγητον ειναι πα[
 κοπρω πιθηκ[ου]ρ[
 30 σφραγειδα την πλουτι[
 χρισον δε μηχ[.]ρ[.]ρ[
 ετερω δε νεκρας . [
 εκθρ^{ποιω} ους δε ποιειν [
 επαν θελης ενκεφα[λον
 35 εψει συν[. . . .] . συν[

1. This line, which protrudes above the opposite column, is perhaps a marginal note, and there may be nothing lost between ll. 1 and 2. The upper fibres between these two lines have been torn away.

9. Probably ἀποτρέπειν in some form.

22. The stroke above the marginal note is really over the κα rather than the ο, but this gives no word. If θυμον is right the word beginning κα was completed in the next line (κα[ταπαυων?); cf. the other two marginal notes.

29. μεισηθρον; cf. Lucian, *Dial. Meretr.* 4. 5 ἔτι δὲ καὶ τοῦτό με σφύδρα κατὰ τῆς Φοιβίδος

τὸ μίσθηθρον ἐδιδάξατο, τηρήσασαν τὸ ἔχνος ἐπὰν ἀπολίποι ἀμανρώσασαν ἐπιβῆναι μὲν τῷ ἀριστερῷ ἐκείνης τὸν ἐμὸν δεξιάν, τῷ δεξιῷ δὲ τὸν ἀριστερὸν ἔμπαλιν, καὶ λέγειν, Ἐπιβέβηκά σοι καὶ ὑπεράνω εἰμί.

33. 1. εχθρ(ους) and εχθρους.

34-5. Cf. Antiphanes Fr. 273 οὐδ' ἦψεν κρέα οὐδ' ἐγκέφαλον. εψει = ἔψε, from the form ἐψέω.

434.

12.5 X 8.6 cm.

Col. .

.	ουσῶν ενκ[
]νον	15 νυμφων ε . [
]ισμεν	ωλετο μη[
]τινην	[
]τριβον	[. . .] . ερπι . [
5] . ττη	[. . .] νουαντ[
] .	20 [. . .] εκτονειλ[
.	[. . .] οτυπον λ[
	υ[
Col. ii.	[. . .] οπιναιχ[
.	[. . .] νοσπεσ . [
ι[	25 [. . . .] ηλατο[
του δ[. . . .] σ . [	[. . . .] υσανο[
χλωρα[. . .] ρ[	[. . .] . [ . ] ερ[
10 ουκετι [. .] ηλυ[[. . . .] . [
ωλετο χων . [	. . . . .
η[
νυμφοφορον [

28. There may have been a blank at the beginning of this line.

435-444. PROSE FRAGMENTS.

Under these numbers are included a variety of small prose fragments which we have not succeeded in identifying. Two (435-6) are historical, three (437-9) of a philosophical character, the remainder, with the possible exceptions of 441 and 444, are oratorical.

435 contains parts of two columns written in an informal uncial hand

probably towards the close of the second or in the first half of the third century. The Corcyraeans are mentioned in connexion with some one whose name began with *Δημο*, and who persuaded them to provide a talent (of silver); and there seems to have been some question of a marriage.

436 is a third century fragment from the bottom of a column, written in square sloping uncials (cf. 420 and 447) of good size. The general sense of ll. 5-10 is fairly clear, and the passage is evidently part of a description of some distinguished general, which might come either from a biographical monograph or from a more comprehensive historical work.

437 comprises parts of fifteen lines from the bottom of a column, the subject of which seems to be the practice of surgery, though it is not clear whether the fragment belongs to some professedly medical treatise or to a philosophical work of a more general character. The hand is a medium-sized sloping uncial probably dating from the third century.

438 consists of parts of twenty-three lines written upon the *verso* of a second century account in a semi-uncial hand, also of the second century. The first line, which is shorter and apparently in a more cursive hand than the rest and has a space below it, is more likely to be a marginal note than the title of the work, which seems to have been of a philosophical character, the author using the first person very frequently.

439 is written on the *verso*, the *recto* having only a diagonal stroke such as is found in accounts. Parts of fourteen lines are preserved, written in rather small third century uncials of the usual type; cf. 420. A breathing and elision mark occur. The fragment comes from a philosophical writer, apparently not Plato.

440. Two fragments which were found together and are apparently in the same hand; but whether they belong to the same MS. is doubtful, for the papyrus of (*b*) is somewhat thicker than that of (*a*), and (*b*) has on the *verso* parts of six lines written in a good-sized uncial hand, while the *verso* of (*a*) is blank. The writing on the *recto* is a third century uncial of a common type (cf. 447). (*a*), which was a carefully punctuated papyrus, is probably a fragment of an orator.

441 contains the ends and beginnings of lines from the upper parts of two consecutive columns, written in a small sloping hand probably of the third century. The use of the second person plural (l. 16) and the occurrence of the name Philip (l. 20) suggest a rhetorical composition; but it might also be inferred from the short line at l. 19 followed by a name in the genitive case that the MS. comprised a collection of ἀποφθέγματα or anecdotes.

442. A long strip containing the latter halves of lines from one column and

a few letters from the beginnings of lines of the next. The piece seems to be in the oratorical style, but it is too mutilated for the drift to be caught.

443 is apparently a fragment of a private oration, and contains the beginnings of twenty-four lines written in a round uncial hand of a calligraphic type; it more probably belongs to the second century than to the third. The low and high points occur in ll. 4 and 6 respectively.

444 is a fragment mentioning Philip and the Macedonians, but whether it comes from a public oration or from a historical work is uncertain. The handwriting is a medium-sized uncial of the second century, probably of the early or middle part of it.

435.

12.5 X 10.8 cm.

. . .]μηι· οι δε Κερκυραιοι ταν	νωτερα γενο[
τα ακο]υσαντε[s] τον μεν Δημο	ανηκουσας πε[
. . . .]γ επη[ν]ουν και δι ευθυ	[.]μην[.]παρ[
μιας] ειχον εδοσαν τε το τα	20 [.]οι[
5 λαντ]ον προθυμως και κα	. . . . .
. . . .]ας δ εξ αυτον της παρθε	
νου.]τ. φυλακα τω δ ειναι	
. . . .]οντο . . υ[.]ανια . . αι	
. . . .]θην[.]του γαμον	
10]ελησαν[.]θεν το δε	
.]αδεξα[.]τα αλλα	
15 letters]νε κακαι	
. . . .]σσαν[.]θος	
. . . .]ω δι[.]ε	
15] και θυ[.]κα	
. . . .]ε . σ[
.	

436.

10 X 5.5 cm.

.

]ησ[.]] . ρ[

]ιν φ[.]]ππος ο[

]ησενητ[.] . . .]πε εισα . [

.]ται προσο[. . .]ω υμν[
 5]αι ἰσχυρ[ο]ς και εμπε[δος] ?
] και μεμνημενος ε[
 ε]ν δε ταις [σ]τραταιαις [
]εταις ὑπερειχεν το[
]τας και ο ἵππος αυτου [
 10]το ἵππικον ταγμα ὑπ[
]εν ωστε αμφοτερο[
] . . . [. . .]ησι[
]λαμ[
 σ]τρατ[
 15]λασ[

4. Apparently not γυμν[.

7-9. Blass suggests [σ]τραταιαῖς [αυτος τε ταις αρ]εταις υπερειχεν το[υς αλλους παν]τας.

437.

8.7 x 7.1 cm.

.
]ν . [
]ουπλ[
]υντα[
]ν γαρ το[
 5]δειγμα[
] . . [12 letters]ιαστων [
] . λιθ[.] . [. . η]λιθιων τ[
 τ]ετακται εν τωι αυτωι παρα[
]λειν μηδε θανασιμον φε[
 10]ιδιδοναι μηδε αλλο τι π[
]ος της τεχνης κεχωρηκοτ[
]ο αριστοχειρουργος οφει[
] παραμυθητικος ειναι οφει[λει
] . ρ[.] . τρ[.]ευνα γαρ
 15]αι ε[13 letters]χειρουρ[γ

438.

12.7 × 3.5 cm.

	]ον	γ]εινωσχω εκερ[
	]ν παροντ[	] βουλομενον . [
	]ν τε και ευ . [	15]τερον δειχθησ[εται
	] ενομισα ουν [	]τα τιθεμαι κρ[
5	]ν οι τα αρισ[τ]α [	] ταυτα πρωτ[
	φιλο]σοφησαντες την	]νειν μηθεν[
	] φιλοσοφιαν ωσ[	]νειναι κα[
	]οντα επιστασ[	20]ντῳ ασ[
	κ]αι ποθεν και τινο[ς	] . νε[
10	] . ιος τον τροπο[ν	]αν . [
	] . μεν γαρ προσ[	] . ε[

14-5. ταυ]τα μεν ευκαιρ[οτερον υσ]τερον ?

439.

6.8 × 3.6 cm.

	]η επιθυμια[	]ω αἱ μεν ανερ[
	]ν μεν και φ[	]ειναι και προσπ[
	]ρη και φιλογ . [	10]εσμεναι παντω[ν
	ελε]υθερον τον [	]ων εν ειρηνη κα[
5	]σειν πολεμω[	]αδ' αργοι τα του π[
	]δε αθλων και . [	]α' οσας δε ρ[
	] ταυτα ερωτες ε[	]ολογω δει . [

440.

(a) 6.2 × 4.2 cm., (b) 3.1 × 2.6 cm.

(a)

(b)

]μικαι[. . .	] . ησαρ[
]ν ναυμ[. . .	]νημ[
] Περσης [. .	15 υπ]ερβολη[

]καί . . [. . .
 5]ονων και
]ν' εγω δε του
]ντων εφη
]σθαι· μει
]τοι τας τω-
 10]βουλιας τα
] . ατ . ντω-
] . . . [. . .

]αιοτητ[
] . ωνειτ' . [
] . τοσωσεπ[

441.

8.8 x 5.7 cm.

Col. i.

]ν
]κα
]ει
]αι
 5]ην
]α
]εις
]ι
]ιον
 10]ιξεν εκ
]νταπει
]υνομενη
] .
]κος

Col. ii.

15 ανηρ τοιο[
 δεσθε ειπε[
 αγαθος και τ[
 πολλους ελ[
 ασπαρτα [
 20 Φιλιππου [
 ρωμενην τ[
 υποχειριον [
 τα φαρμακ
 μενην τ[
 25 ως ειδεν σ[
 και χαριν [
 τα μηδε . [
 [. . . .]υσ[

10. ε of]ιξεν corrected from ο or *vice versa*.

19. There is a blank space before the lacuna.

442.

22.6 x 6.3 cm.

Col. i.		Col. ii.
	]ειδης	πο[
	]ειας μαλ	φ[
	]ριαν του πα	35 κ[
	]ομενος τις	σφ[
5	]ος μειζων	τ[
	] οπερ οι πασ	σφ[
	] . χαριν μ[.]	τ[ε[
	]ν . η διαφ[.]	40 τα[
	]εθα και δ . [.]	τε[
10	]λον η κοι	απ[
	α]δικουμενοι	τω[
	]υμεν εκον	το[
	]ιν αρχεσθαι	45 τιν[
	]μενοι παν	οφ[
15	]αι ποιειν	τω . [
	]τες σου τυγ	φει[
χαν	] προς ημας	εν . [
	]ι φιλους	50 μεν [
	]ου δεσπο	ετοιμ[
20	]λεισθαι	✕ πεπ[
	]αι αρχον	τησ . [
	]αι . ηδ . σ	αλ[
	]υποσου	55 νο[
	]ηστησα	[
25	]ς Ευ[ρ]απης	[
	] . δε φημι	[
	θ]εοφιλεσ	. ω[
	]ος μογοις	60 πρ . [
	]ς υπαρ	μεν [
30	]αι φιλοι	καλλ[
	]οι ενκω	θαρσ[
	ε]στιν ωσ	μεν [

24-5. Blass suggests $\pi\alpha\sigma\eta\varsigma\ \tau\eta\varsigma\ \Lambda\sigma\iota\alpha\varsigma\ \kappa\alpha\iota\ \tau\eta\varsigma\ \text{Ευ}\rho\omega\pi\eta\varsigma$.

52. The occurrence of an asterisk in a prose work is noteworthy. This sign was used to mark passages which were found elsewhere, but were rightly placed as they stood; cf. 445. 490-2.

443.

14.5 X 4 cm.

ον ειναι [
 ευεργεσι[
 μισθον κ[
 σθαι. οτε ε[
 5 ρησεν εν [τωι δικα
 στηριωι· κ[αι μην
 η γε αδελφ[η αυτου
 η ομομητ[ρια και
 ο αδελφ[ος
 10 και νυν [των αναγ
 καιων σ[τερομενοι
 περιερχο[νται και

παρ υμων [και των
 εντυγχανο[ντων
 15 και ελεησο[ντων
 το αναγκα[ιον πο
 ριζομενο[ι και πολ
 λακις ελθο[ντες ε
 πι τον Κη[φισογε?
 20 νους μυλ[ωνα ουκ
 [απη]λασθη[σαν
 [.]ε[ι[
 [. . .]ε[ι[. . .]α[
 [.]· [

444.

11.3 X 2.1 cm.

· · ·
]· τ[α[
]ια κατα[
]αιονων [
]πεας κατ[
 5 Μακ[εδονων [
]ουσιν ον[
]κρων τω[
]οις εμβ[α[
]· νοιμ[

10]ονων [
]αιτιν[
]· ησατ[
 τ]ωι Φιλιπ[πωι
]αλαβα[
 15 μι]σθοφορ[
] Μακεδο[ν
 πολ]εμους [
]των[
]μενα[

III. FRAGMENTS OF EXTANT CLASSICAL AUTHORS

445. HOMER, *Iliad* VI.

Height 30.5 cm.

PLATE IV (Fr. a).

OF the numerous Homeric papyri of the Roman period which have been discovered, very few present so many points of interest and importance as the following fragments of the sixth book of the *Iliad*, written in a medium-sized uncial hand with critical marks and occasional marginal notes, and containing parts of ll. 128, 134-7, 148, 173-94, 199, and 445-end. While the critical marks, which include the diple, antisigma, and asterisk, are all due to the first hand, in the marginal notes two or three hands are probably to be distinguished, though owing to the paucity of the material for forming a judgement it is impossible to classify them with certainty. To the first corrector, whom we will call A and who employed a small semi-uncial hand, we should assign the notes on ll. 128, 148, and 449, together with all the superscribed variants. To the second (B), who wrote a small more cursive hand, belongs the note on l. 464; and to a third (C), who wrote a larger cursive, that on l. 478. The figure at the end, giving apparently the number of lines in the book, is cursively written but apparently by the first hand, and it is possible that either A or B (but not C), is also identical with the original scribe. The question is, however, not of great importance, for there is certainly no appreciable difference of time between the writing of the text and the addition of the scholia and interlinear readings. The first century is out of the question as the date of the papyrus, and both text and notes suggest the second century or the beginning of the third. Breathings and accents are occasionally, and elision-marks generally, used, and the punctuation is careful, the high point being employed, except in ll. 477 and 496, where the middle point occurs, indicating a slighter pause.

In its disposition of critical marks the papyrus as a rule accords with the Venetus A, but there are some divergences; cf. notes on ll. 183 and 189. The marginal notes are, however, very scanty compared with Schol. A, though such information as they give is of considerable value, since they are all concerned with various readings. Most of these notes record differences between the papyrus and the *κωνίη* or generally accepted text, which is occasionally mentioned in the extant Homeric scholia, but not in connexion with these particular passages. Besides the readings ascribed to a definite source in the marginal

notes, other variants are inserted between the lines without any indication of their origin. Since they are sometimes rare, sometimes the common readings, it is not probable that they were all derived from any one text.

The papyrus, which is remarkably free from errors and has more affinity with A than with any other extant manuscript, presents in spite of its extremely mutilated condition a number of important readings which are either altogether new (see notes on ll. 487, 494, and 523), or are known to have existed only from scholia (l. 187), or from quotations in other authors (l. 493). Of these, one (*πᾶσι μάλιστα δ' ἐμοί* instead of *πᾶσι ἐμοί δὲ μάλιστα* in l. 493), is distinctly superior to the traditional text, and affords one of the rare instances of an emendation made in the text of Homer by a modern editor being confirmed by a papyrus.

In our commentary upon this papyrus we owe several suggestions to Mr. T. W. Allen, who has also very kindly placed his own collations at our disposal. Our collation is with the text of Ludwig.

(a)	Col. i.	Col. ii.	
		πρόφρονεως μιν τιεν 173	
		) > εννημα[ρ ξεινισσε και εννεα	
128	κατ'αβεβηκας η κο(ινη) ουρανου]	αλλ' οτε δη [δεκατη 175	
		> και τοτ[ε μιν ερεινε	
		οτι ρα [οι γαμβροιο	
		> αυταρ επ[ει δη σημα	
		[πρωτον μιν ρα Χιμαιραν	
134	Λυκο]υργ[ο]ν φοβηθε]ς κολπ]ω	πεφ[ινεμεν η δ αρ εην 180	
		> προσ[θε λεων οπιθεν δε δρακων	
		δειν[ον αποπνείουσα	
137	ομοκ]λημ'	και τη[ν μιν κατεπεφνε	
		δευτε[ρον αυ Σολουμοισι	
		καρτιστην δη [την γε μαχην 185	
		> το τριτον αυ [κατεπεφνεν	
		τωι δ αρ' επερ ^a χομενωι	
		κρινας [εκ Λυκιης	
		εἴσε λο[χον τοι δ ου τι παλιν	
		παντα[s γαρ κατεπεφνεν 190	
		αλλ' οτε δη γ[ι]μ[ωσκε θεου	
		αυτου μ[ιν] κατ[ε]ρυκε διδου δ	

- [και την μεν κατεθηκεν επι χθο]νι παμφανοωσαν
 [αυταρ ο γ ον φίλον υιον επει κυσε πηλε τε χερσιν]
 475 [ειπεν επευξαμενος Δι τ αλλοισιν τε θ'εοισιν
 [Ζευ αλλοι τε θεοι δοτε δη και τονδε γενε]σθαι
 [παιδ εμο]ν^{ενι} ως και εγω περ αριπρεπέα Τρωεσσιν
 [ωδε βιην αγαθον τε και Ιλιου ι]φ[ι ανα]σσ[ει]ν^{διχ(ws)} η κο(ινη) βιη[ν τ]'
 [και ποτε τις ειπησι πατρος γ οδ]ε πολλον αμεινων
 480 [εκ πολεμου ανιοντα φεροι δ ε]ναρα βροτοεντα
 [κτεινας δηιον ανδρα χαρει]η δε φρενα μητηρ
 [ως ειπων αλοχοιο φίλης εν] χερσιν εθηκεν
 2 lines lost
 485 [χειρι τε μιν κατερεξεν επος τ εφ'ατ εκ] τ ονομαζε'
 [δαιμονιη μη μοι τι λιην ακαχι]ζεο [θυμωι
 [ου γαρ τις μ υπερ αισαν ανηρ Α]ϊδι προιαψει^{τι}
 [μοιραν δ ου τινα φημι πεφυγμε]νον εμμεναι ανδρων
 ου κακον ουδε μεν εσθλον επη]ν τα πρωτα γενηται
 490 ✕αλλ εις οικον ιουσα τα σ αυτης ερ[γα κομι]ζε
 ✕ιστον τ' ηλακατην τε και αμφιπο[λοισι κελευε
 ✕εργον εποιχεσθαι πολεμος δ αν[δρεσσι μελησει
 πασι μαλιστα δ εμοι τοι Ιλιωι εγγ[ε]γαασιν^{φαι[δ]ιμος Εκτωρ}
 [ως α]ρ[α] φ[ωνησ]ας κορυθ' ειλετο χε[ι]ρι παχειηι
 495 [ι]ππου]ριν^α αλοχος δε φιλη οικον [δε βεβηκει
 [εντ]ροπαλιζομενη. θαλερον κατα [δακρυ χεουσα
 αιψα δ επειθ' ικανε δομους εϋ ναι[ε]ταοντας
 [Εκτο]ρ[ος]
 [α]μφ[ι]
 500 [α]μ[ι]
 2 lines lost
 [ο]νδ[ε] [
 504 αλλ ο [γ
 2 lines lost
 507 >[δεσμον

- ειω[θως
 κυδιοα[ν
 510 > ωμ[οις
 2 lines lost
 513 [τε]υ[χέσι
 4 lines lost
 518 > ἡ[θεῖ' ἦ [
 δηθυν[ων
 520 τον δ απα[μειβομενος
 δαιμόνι [ουκ αν τις
 εργον ατι[μησεις
 αλλ ακω[ν
 αχνυται ε[ν
 525 προς Τρωα[ν
 αλλ' ιομεν [
 δωιηι επο[υρανιοισι
 κρητηρα σ[τησασθαι
 εκ Τροιης ε[λασαντας
 /
 [φ]κε

Ἰλ[ιδος ζ

128. The marginal note refers to the ancient variant οὐρανόν for the common reading οὐρανοῦ. Schol. A has (reading οὐρανοῦ in the text) οὗτος Ἀρίσταρχος οἶον καταβέβηκας τὸν οὐρανόν. διὰ δὲ τοῦ γράφει, κατ' οὐρανόν. The reading of Aristarchus is found in several families of MSS.; whether the text of the papyrus had ουρανον is uncertain.

148. The marginal note presents much difficulty. ὦρη was according to Schol. A the reading of Aristophanes, while the nominative ὥρη is found in nearly all the MSS. and is preferred by Lud. The iota before αι αρχ(αιαι) apparently belongs to the main text (which therefore agreed with Aristophanes), not to the note, and since αι αρχ(αιαι) would most naturally refer to the reading of Aristophanes, we should expect the authority for the other reading ὠρη to be given by the intervening word or words. But it is not easy to interpret the meaning of ο ηκουσ. The reading of the first letter is by no means certain, for the ο is larger than the usual omicron of this scribe and might represent a β, and it is moreover placed underneath the χ of αρχ(αιαι), which is above the line. But the following η has been corrected from ο apparently, so that what seems to have happened is that the scribe first wrote αρχ οκουσ and then converted the ο into η, inserting ο in the blank space underneath the χ. The obvious division ἡ κο(υή) is open to the objection that the ο after κ is not written above the line as in the marginal notes on ll. 128 and 478. Mr. Allen suggests δ ἡ κο(υή) ὑ(πο)σ(τέλλει), comparing the use of ὑποστολή in Anecd. Bek. II. p. 600 for the 'omission' of iota. The scholium would then mean that the ancient copies read ὠρηι, but the common reading was ὥρη with no iota. This gives very

good sense, but ν^r is hardly the kind of abbreviation of $\nu\sigma\tau\epsilon\lambda\lambda\epsilon\iota$ which would be expected on a papyrus of this period, and the construction of δ (sc. the ϵ of $\omega\rho\eta\epsilon$) is somewhat difficult. $\eta\kappa\omicron\upsilon\sigma(\)$ as one word, however, suggests nothing but the first aorist of $\acute{\alpha}\kappa\omicron\upsilon\omega$, and though it is noteworthy that in Schol. A on this line $\acute{\alpha}\kappa\omicron\upsilon\epsilon\iota$ occurs ($\chi\rho\iota\sigma\tau\omicron\phi\acute{\alpha}\nu\eta\varsigma$ γράφει τηλεθώντα καὶ ἐπὶ τῶν φύλλων ἀκούει καὶ τὸ ὦρῃ μετὰ τοῦ ϵ γράφει κατὰ δοτικὴν), ὁ ἤκουσ(εν) or ὁ ἤκουσ(αν) here makes no sense, and for ὁ ἤκουσ(α), 'as I heard,' there is no parallel in scholia of this character.

174. For the dipole before this line cf. Schol. A ἡ διπλῇ, ὅτι ἐπιφόρος ἔστι πρὸς τὸν ἐννέα ἀριθμόν. The papyrus adds an antisigma as well; cf. the explanation of this sign in a grammarian *ap.* Dindorf, Schol. I. p. xlvι τὸ δὲ ἀντίσιγμα καὶ αἱ δύο σιγμαὶ ὅταν κατὰ τὸ ἐξῆς δις ἢ τὸ αὐτὸ νόημα κείμενον.

176. A has the dipole against this line with comments upon τότε μιν ἐρέειν and σῆμα.

178. A has a dipole against this line, like no comment.

181. The dipole before this line, like that before l. 186, has a dot above it and possibly is meant for a διπλῇ περιεστιγμένη, which should have a dot below as well. That sign was used to denote the readings or transpositions of Zenodotus, Crates, and Aristarchus. But since A has an ordinary dipole against l. 181 with the remark ὅτι ἐν σώμα ἢ χίμαιρα, and none at all against l. 186, and since no variation of reading among the ancient critics is recorded in connexion with those two lines, it is more probable that the dipole with one dot has the same meaning as the plain dipole, or at any rate means something different from the διπλῇ περιεστιγμένη.

183. Here the Ven. A has a dipole with the remark ὅτι οὐδὲν περὶ τῆς κατὰ τὸν Πήγασον ἱστορίας ἐμφαίνει. Possibly the dipole which is found in the papyrus before l. 186, where the Ven. A has none, has been misplaced and should have preceded l. 183. But there are several instances of divergence between the papyrus and A with regard to the dipole; cf. note on l. 189.

187. The reading of the first hand *επερχομενω* is ascribed to ἄλλοι by Schol. A, but is not found in any MS. The reading of the corrector *απερχομενω* (ascribed to Aristarchus by Schol. V) occurs in the Lipsiensis and apparently in Mr. Allen's L 20. It is curious that the papyrus seems to ignore *απερχομενω*, the ordinary reading and that ascribed to Aristarchus by Schol. A. It is now clear that the variant *επερχομενω* (which is not even mentioned by Ludwig or Monro and Allen) rested on considerable authority.

189. The papyrus has no dipole before this line and l. 191 where they are found in the Ven. A.

194. Cf. Schol. A ἡ διπλῇ ὅτι παρενυμολογεῖ τὸ τέμενος ἀπὸ τοῦ τεμεῖν καὶ ἀφορίσαι.

199. For the dipole cf. A, which has a comment on the parentage of Sarpedon.

449. The scholiasts have no note on the reading *ευμελιω* on this line, but cf. Schol. A on B. 461 (*Ἀσίω ἐν λευκῶν*) Ἰωνικὴ γενικὴ παθοῦσα τὸ γὰρ ἱγίεις ἔστιν Ἀσίω ὡς Ἀτρεΐδω. διὸ χωρὶς τοῦ ϵ , Schol. T *ibid.* . . . ἐν γενικῇ οὖν αὐτὸ ἐκληπτεῖον καὶ χωρὶς τοῦ $\iota\omega$ τα, ὡς τὸ *ευμελιω* Πριάμοιο, ὡς Ἡρωδιανὸς ἐν τῇ καθόλου καὶ Πτολεμαῖος ἐν τῇ περὶ συναλοιφῆς, and Schol. D *ibid.* τὸ Ἀσίω ἐνταῦθα γενικῆς πτώσεως ἔστι. ὁθεν οὐκ ἔχει τὸ ϵ . . . ὡς *ευμελιᾶς ευμελιῶ* Πριάμοιο . . . οὕτως Ἄρως ἐν τῇ ὀρθογραφίᾳ. The papyrus had *ευμελιω* (genitive) in the text with most MSS. Mr. Allen informs us that besides A, his D, V 16, and P, and probably a few more have *ευμελιῶ*, and this reading is indicated by the remark *δο(τικῇ) μ(ε)τ(ᾷ) τοῦ ϵ* . The papyrus seems unique in calling *ευμελιῶ* dative, perhaps from false analogy with Ἀσίω (ϵ : *sup.*), which in spite of the scholiasts is probably to be interpreted as dative.

The dash after ϵ is apparently a mark of punctuation. Whether $\gamma(\epsilon\iota\kappa\eta)$ (if that be the right expansion of γ in the text) *ευμελιῶ* means that *ευμελιω* is to be regarded as a genitive, equivalent to *ευμελιῶ*, or that there was a variant *ευμελιῶ*, is not made

clear. *ευμελιον*, though it does not scan, is actually found in one MS.; but the first hypothesis is more likely, though *ευμελιον* would be expected.

456. *Ἀργεῖ εὐόσα* Lud., the MSS. being divided. *πρός* (Lud.) is the reading of all the MSS. except one at Vienna (W) in which *πρός* is corrected to *πρό*, as here.

464. Over *ν* of *καλυπτοι* is a circular mark resembling the sign for a short syllable.

The marginal note here is in a more cursive hand than that employed in the other cases. The vulgate does in fact read *τεθυειώς*; cf. Schol. A on H. 409, I. 633, P. 161, &c., from which it appears that Aristarchus read *τεθυηώς*. So far *ἄλλοι* has been the only source assigned to the form *τεθυειώς*, which is read in the majority of the MSS.

475. *θεοισιν: θεοῖσι* Lud.

477. Cf. A, where *ενι* is superscribed above *ἀριπρεπεί*, the reading of other MSS. and Lud.

478. After the lacuna following *βη* is a spot of ink at the top of the line, which we have considered to represent an elision-mark after *τ*. If this is correct, the note probably refers to the alternative readings *βῆν τ' ἀγαθόν* (the best-supported reading, so Lud.) and *βῆν ἀγαθόν* (so many MSS.) or *βῆν ἀγαθόν τε* (ascribed to *ἄλλοι* by Schol. A). Of these *βῆν ἀγαθόν* is that most likely to have stood in the text of the papyrus, since *βῆν τ'* is recorded in the margin and the reading *βῆν ἀγαθόν τε* ignores the digamma before *ἴλιον*, whereas in l. 493 the papyrus preserves a digamma which is ignored by the MSS. But it is possible that after *βῆν* there was no *τ* and that the spot of ink represents a stop or is even accidental. Then the marginal note may refer either to *βην τ* in the text or to *βοην* (or *βονη τ*), a reading found in D, two Vienna MSS., and Mr. Allen's N 4. The fact that the scholia do not mention *βοήν* but comment on the position of *τε* is in favour of the view that the note here referred to a variation concerning *τε*, not *βῆν*.

479. *διχ(ω)*s over the line refers to the variants *γ' ὅδε* (Aristarchus) and *δ' ὁ γε* (the reading of nearly all MSS.). It is quite uncertain which of the two was found in the text of the papyrus.

485. Above the last two letters of *ονομαζε* are traces of ink which apparently indicate something superscribed. The only variant known is *ὀνόμαζεν*, and the vestiges do not suggest either *ν* or a horizontal stroke meaning *ν*.

487. The *π* of *προΐαψει* has been corrected from *α*(?). The variant *προΐαψει* inserted above the line is not recorded in connexion with the present passage, but in Ω. 110 there was an ancient dispute whether *προΐάπτω* or *προΐάπτω* was to be read.

490-2. For the asterisks before these lines cf. Schol. A on 490-3 *τέσσαρσι στίχοις ἐξῆς ἀστερίσκοι παράκεινται ὅτι νῦν μὲν ὀρθῶς κείνται καὶ πρὸ τῶν τῆς μνηστοπροφονίας* (φ. 350) *ἐν δὲ τῇ α̅ ῥαψωδίᾳ τῆς Ὀδυσσεΐας* (356-9) *οὐκέτι*. The papyrus omits the asterisk before l. 493.

493. *πασι μάλιστα δ' εμοι τοι ἱλιωι*: this reading, which is superior to that of all the MSS. (and Lud.) *πάνιν ἐμοὶ δὲ μάλιστα τοὶ ἱλίω* because it preserves the digamma before *ἱλίω*, is found in Epictetus, *Diss.* III. 22, 108, and had been restored in the present passage by Hoffmann and Bekker, comparing *α*. 359, λ. 353, and φ. 353. For another example of a conjecture in the text of Homer being confirmed by a papyrus see P. Grenf. II. p. 11, where in Ψ. 198 Nauck's conjecture *ῥκα δὲ ἱρις* instead of the MSS. reading *ῥκεία δ' ἱρις* is found in a third century B.C. papyrus. It is noticeable that there, as here, the papyrus preserves a digamma which had been ignored by the MSS.

ἐγγ(ε)γασιν: cf. A, where too *ν* is superscribed. *ἐγγεγάσιν* Lud.

494. At the end of the line *φάιδιμος Ἐκτωρ* is the reading of all the MSS. and Lud. For the variant *χείρι παχείρι* cf. Φ. 403, where *Παλλὰς Ἀθήνη* is found in the Ambrosianus and a Vatican MS. (cf. Schol. A *ἐν ἄλλῃ Παλλὰς Ἀθήνη*) in place of the ordinary reading *χειρὶ παχείῃ*. *χειρὶ παχείῃ* would suit just as well as *φάιδιμος Ἐκτωρ* here, for *φωνήσας* could not refer to any one but Hector.

507-9. The papyrus omits the asterisks which are found in A against these lines, but has the dipole against l. 507, as in A.

510. $\omega\mu\epsilon\iota\sigma\iota\varsigma$: in the margin before this line is what looks like the top of a critical mark, of which the rest is lost. A has a dipole against this line.

518. The smooth breathing above the initial η is uncertain, but the vestiges suit that better than a circumflex. There is a dipole before this line in A.

521. The δ and μ of $\delta\alpha\iota\mu\omicron\nu\iota$ have possibly been corrected.

523. $\alpha\lambda\lambda\ \alpha\kappa\epsilon\omega\iota\nu$; $\alpha\lambda\lambda\alpha\ \acute{\epsilon}\kappa\acute{\omega}\nu$ MSS. Cf. β . 111, where Rhianus read $\acute{\alpha}\epsilon\kappa\omicron\nu\tau\alpha$ for $\acute{\alpha}\kappa\epsilon\omicron\nu\tau\alpha$. This error ($\acute{\alpha}\epsilon\kappa\omega\nu$ for $\acute{\alpha}\kappa\epsilon\omega\nu$) is not uncommon in MSS. $\acute{\alpha}\kappa\epsilon\omega\nu$ makes good sense here.

527. \omicron of $\epsilon\pi\omicron\upsilon\rho\alpha\nu\iota\omicron\iota\varsigma$ is corrected from ι .

529. Below the coronis is a number, apparently referring to the lines in the book. If 525 is correct, Book vi in this papyrus was four lines shorter than in our texts. But in view of the carelessness of scribes in numbering successive hundreds of lines (cf. 223), not much reliance can be placed on the figure here, though cf. 448. 302, note.

446. HOMER, *Iliad XIII*.

18.4 × 4.3 cm.

PLATE VI.

A narrow strip of papyrus containing parts of ll. 58-99 of *Iliad* xiii. The scribe was unusually careless, and the fragment has no critical value; but palaeographically it is interesting, since a portion of a cursive account on the *verso* of the late second or third century supplies an approximate *terminus ad quem* for the date of the literary text on the *recto*. The latter, written in a square and upright uncial hand, may be placed near the end of the second century.

[$\omega\kappa\upsilon\pi\omicron\rho\omega\nu\ \epsilon\iota\ \kappa\alpha\iota\ \mu\iota\nu\ \omicron$] $\lambda\upsilon\mu\pi\iota\omicron\varsigma\ \alpha\upsilon\tau\omicron\varsigma\ \epsilon\gamma\epsilon\iota\rho\epsilon\iota$

[$\eta\ \kappa\alpha\iota\ \sigma\kappa\eta\pi\alpha\nu\iota\omega\ \gamma\alpha\iota\eta\omicron\chi\omicron\varsigma$] $\epsilon\rho\iota\nu\omicron\sigma\iota\gamma\alpha\iota\omicron\varsigma$

60 [$\alpha\mu\phi\omicron\tau\epsilon\rho\omega\ \kappa\epsilon\kappa\omicron\pi\omega\varsigma\ \pi\lambda$] $\eta\sigma\epsilon\nu\ \mu\epsilon\nu\epsilon\omicron\varsigma\ \kappa\rho\alpha\tau\epsilon\rho\omicron\iota\omicron$

[$\gamma\nu\iota\alpha\ \delta\ \epsilon\theta\eta\kappa$] $\epsilon\lceil\nu\ \epsilon\lambda\alpha$] $\phi\rho\alpha\ \tau\epsilon\omega\delta\alpha\varsigma\ [\kappa\alpha\iota\ \chi\epsilon\iota\rho\alpha\varsigma\ \upsilon\pi\epsilon\rho\theta\epsilon\nu$

[$\alpha\upsilon\tau\omicron\varsigma\ \delta\ \omega\varsigma\ \tau\ \iota$] ρ] $\eta\xi\ \omega\kappa\upsilon\pi\langle\tau\rangle\epsilon\rho\omicron\varsigma\ \omega\rho\tau\omicron\ \pi\epsilon\tau\epsilon\sigma\theta\alpha\iota$

[$\omicron\varsigma\ \rho\alpha\ \tau\ \alpha\pi\ \alpha\iota\gamma$] $\iota\lambda\iota\pi\omicron\varsigma\ \pi\epsilon\tau\langle\rho\rangle\eta\varsigma\ \pi\epsilon\lceil\rho\iota\mu\eta\kappa\epsilon\omicron\varsigma\ \alpha\rho\theta\epsilon\iota\varsigma$

[$\omicron\rho\mu\eta\sigma\eta$] $\pi\omicron\delta\iota\omicron\iota\omicron\ \delta\iota\omega\kappa\epsilon\iota\nu\ \omicron\rho\gamma\epsilon\omicron\nu\ \alpha\lambda\lambda\omicron$

65 [$\omega\varsigma\ \alpha\pi\omicron\ \tau\omega\nu$] $\eta\iota\xi\epsilon\ \Pi\omicron\sigma\epsilon\iota\delta\alpha\omega\nu\ \lceil\epsilon\rho\omicron\sigma\iota\chi\theta\omega\nu$

66 [$\tau\omicron\upsilon\iota\nu\ \delta\ \epsilon\gamma\nu\omega$] $\pi\rho\omicron\sigma\theta\epsilon\nu\ \omicron\epsilon\iota\lambda\eta\omicron\varsigma\ \tau\alpha\chi\upsilon\varsigma\ \alpha\iota\alpha\varsigma$

68 [.] $\theta\epsilon\omega\nu\ \omicron\iota\ \omicron\lambda\upsilon\mu\pi\omicron\nu\ \lceil\epsilon\rchi\omicron\upsilon\sigma\iota$

[$\mu\alpha\nu\tau\epsilon\iota\ \epsilon\iota\delta\omicron\mu\epsilon\nu\omicron\varsigma\ \kappa\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\tau\alpha\iota\ \pi\alpha$] $\rho\alpha\ \nu\eta\nu\sigma\iota\ \mu\alpha\chi\epsilon\sigma\theta\alpha\iota$

70 [$\omicron\upsilon\delta\ \omicron\ \gamma\epsilon\ \kappa\alpha\lambda\chi\alpha$] $\varsigma\ \epsilon\sigma\tau\iota\ \theta\epsilon\omicron\pi\rho\omicron\pi\omicron\varsigma\ \omicron\iota\lceil\omega\nu\iota\sigma\tau\eta\varsigma$

- [ιχνια γαρ] μετοπισθεν ποδων [ηδε κνημαν
 [ρει εγνω] απιοντος αριγνω[οι δε θεοι περ
 [και δ εμοι α]ντω θυμος ενι σστ[ηθεσσι φιλοισι
 [μαλλον εφο]ρμαται πολεμιζ[ειν ηδε μαχεσθαι
 75 [μαιμωωσι] δ ενερθε ποδες η [χειρες υπερθε
 [τον δ απα]μειβομενος [π]ρ[οσεφη Τελαμωνιος Αιας
 [ουτω νυν κ]αι εμοι περι δουρ[ατι χειρες απατοι
 [μαιμωωσιν] και μοι μενος [ωρορε νερθε δε ποσσιν
 [εσσυμαι αμ]φοτεροισι μενοι[νωω δε και οιος
 80 [Εκτορι Πρια]μειδη αμοτον [μεμαωτι μαχεσθαι
 [ως οι μεν τοι]αυτα προς αλληλ[ους αγορευον
 [χαρμη γηθο]συνη την σφιν [θεος εμβαλε θυμω .
 [τοφρα δε το]υς οπισθεν γαιη[οχος ωρσεν Αχαιους
 [οι παρα ἡ]νυσ[ιν θοησιν [ανεψυχον φιλον ητορ
 85 [των ρ αμα τ αρ]γαλεω καμ[ατω φιλα γνυια λελυντο
 [και σφιν α]χος] κατα θυμον [εγινετο δερκομενοισι
 [Τρωας τοι μεγ]α τειχος υπεκκ[ατεβησαν ομιλω
 [τους οι γ εισορο]ωντες υπ οφρυσ[ι δακρυα λειβον
 [ου γαρ εφαν] φευξεσθαι υπερ κ[ακον αλλ ενοσιχθων
 90 [ρεια μετεισ]αμενος κρατε[ρ]α[ς ωτρυνε φαλαγγας
 [Τευκρον ε]πι π[ρώτον και [Δηιτον ηλθε κελευων
 [Πηνελεων θ] ηρωα Θoa[ν]τα τε [Δηιπυρον τε
 [Μηριονην] τε και Αντ[ι]λοχο[ν] μ[ηστωρας αυτης
 [.]ν . [
 95 [αιδως Αργε]ιο[ι κουροι νεοι υμμιν εγω γε
 [μαρναμενο]ισι [πεποιθα σωσεμεναι νεας αμας
 [ει δ υμεις πο]λεμ[οιο μεθησετε λευγαλειο
 [νυν δη, ειδε]ται [ημαρ υπο Τρωεσσι δαμηναι
 [ω ποποι η μ]ε[γα θαυμα τοδ οφθαλμοισιν ορωμαι

61. *τωδας* is a mistake for *ποδας*.64. *ποδιοιο* is a graphical error for *πειδιοιο*.66. *εγν*ω *προσθεν* has been corrected from *εγν*ωι *ποσθεν*, probably by another hand.68. The omission of l. 67 may have been caused by the fact that both it and l. 68 begin with the letters *αι*. But something has also gone wrong with the beginning of

l. 68, for it is impossible to get *Αἰαν ἐπει τις νῶι* into the lacuna, which is of the same size as that in the preceding and following lines.

71. μεταπισθεν : l. μεταπισθε.

73. The doubled σ in σστ[ηθεσαι is probably a mere accident, since the iota is already long by position; the passage is therefore hardly parallel to e.g. P. Brit. Mus. 732 II. xiv. l. 183 τριγλῆνα μμο[ροε]γτα (*Journ. of Phil.* xxvi. p. 49).

75. η : καὶ MSS.

80. Πρια]μειδη : l. Πρια]μειδη.

82. γηθο]συνη is of course another blunder, due to the termination of the preceding word.

83. οπισθεν : similar mistakes (for ὀπισθεν) occur in DG (ὀπισθεν) and Vrat. A (ὀπισθε).

84. νησ]ν : l. νησ]ι.

87. υπεκ[ατεβησαν : ὑπερκατέβησαν MSS. On the other hand in l. 89 the papyrus has υπερ κ[ακον(?) in place of the regular ὑπ' ἐκ κακοῦ. The variation is no more than a graphical error.

89. υπερ κ[ακον : cf. the previous note.

94. No variant is known in this line, which should be τοὺς ὃ γ' ἐποτρύνων ἔπεα πτερόεντα προσηύδα. It is quite impossible that twelve letters should have stood in the papyrus before]ν; perhaps the scribe confused the two omicrons and wrote τους στρυνων.

447. HOMER, *Iliad* XXIII.

7·3 × 4·2 cm.

PLATE VI.

The following small fragment from the twenty-third Book of the *Iliad*, has, like the preceding papyrus, a palaeographical interest. The text on the *recto*, written in square slightly sloping uncials, represents a common type of literary hand (cf. especially 26); while on the *verso* is part of an account in cursive which is not later than the beginning of the third century, and more probably belongs to the second. It is, therefore, not at all likely that the MS. on the *recto* was written later than the latter part of the second century. A few accents &c. occur, apparently added by the original scribe.

[τειχει υπο] Τρωων [ευγενεων απολεσθαι

[αλλο δε τοι ε]ρεω κα[ι εφησομαι αι κε πιθαι

[μη εμ]α σων απάν[ευθε τιθμεναι οστε Αχιλλευ

[αλλ ομο]ν ως ετραφ[η . . . εν υμετεροισι δομοισιν

85 [ευτε με τ]υτθον ευν[τα Μεινοτιος εξ Οποεντος

[ηγαγεν] υμετερον [δ ανδροκτασις υπο λυγρης

[ημα]τι τῶι οτε παι[δα κατεκτανον Αμφιδαμαντος

[νη]πιον ουκ εθελ[ων αμφ αστραγαλοισι χολωθεις

[ενθ]ά με δεξαμε[νους εν δωμασιν ιπποτα Πηλεως

90 [ετρα]φέ τ' ἐνδυκῶς [και σον θεραποντ ονομηνεν
[ως δε] και [οστεα] νωῖν [ομη σορος αμφικαλυπτοι

84. ετραφ[η . . . : the papyrus may have read ετραφην περ with ADHS, &c., or ετραφημεν with CEGl and Brit. Mus. Add. MSS. 17210 (6th or 7th cent.); τράφομεν περ La Roche.

88. [νη]πιον : so D Vrat. d; νήπιος (so La R.) or νηπίου other MSS.

448. HOMER, *Odyssey* XXII AND XXIII.

Height of Column 29.6 cm.

The following fragments are from a roll comprising Books xxii and xxiii of Homer's *Odyssey*. Of the twenty-second Book portions of seven consecutive columns remain, covering with some intervals ll. 31-317. Book xxiii is represented only by two small pieces from a couple of columns, nine intermediate columns being wholly lost. The text is on the *verso* of the papyrus, the *recto* having been previously utilized for a prose literary work which has been carefully cleaned off—unfortunately so effectively that the writing is quite illegible. The letters here and there traceable are formal rather heavy upright uncials of good size, probably not earlier than the third century, to which the hand of the *verso* may also be attributed. This is also upright and rather large, but lighter and more ornate. Accents, breathings (usually acute-angled), marks of elision, &c., and high stops have been added with some frequency, mostly by a second hand, which has also introduced some corrections into the text; the marks of elision, however, seem to be mainly due to the original scribe. The system of accentuation is generally similar to that found in 223, the long papyrus of *Iliad* v; in oxytone words, however, all the syllables except the last bear a grave accent (though not in xxii. 184 ἐνρύ γερον), as in the Bacchylides papyrus, whereas in 223 only the penultimate syllable has the grave accent. As in 223, perispome words followed by enclitics become oxytone. In the case of diphthongs the second vowel is usually accented, while in 223 the reverse is the case, but the writer was not very careful, and it is sometimes a matter of doubt for which letter an accent was intended. A peculiarity is the method of writing the accents, which are as a rule nearly, and sometimes quite, horizontal.

The papyrus shows on the whole a good text, which is of interest on account of some agreements with X (Vindobonensis 133), or U (Monacensis 519 B),

or both, against the rest of the MSS. Our collation is with the edition of Ludwig.

Book xxii. Col. i.

Col. ii.

	[ισκεν] εκαστος [	αλ]το δ [επ αυτω	80
	[ανδρ]α κατακτε[ιναι	Ο]δυσσε[υς	
	[ως δ]ή σφιν κ[αι	παρ]α μαζον	
	[τους] δ άρ ύποδ[ρα	χει]ρο[ς	
35	ω κυνες ου μ' [ετ	] τραπέ[ζη	
	δημου [απ]ο Τ[ρωων	χ]ευεν ε[ραζε	85
	δμωη[σιν] τε γ[υ]ν[αιξι	χθο]να τυπτε μετώπω	
	αυτου δε ζώντο[ς	α]μφ[οτεροι]σιν	
	ουτε θεους δέισαν[τες	οφθαλ]μω[ν] δ' εχυτ' αχλυσ·	
40	[ο]υτέ τιν' ανθρωπων [	κ]υδαλίμοιο	
	[ν]υν ύμιν και π[α]σιν [	ο]ξυ	90
42	[ως] φατο· τους δ α[ρ]α παν[τας	] φ[θη	
44	[Ευρυμα]χος δε μιν δίο[ς	χαλκηρει] δουρι	
45	[ει με]ν δη Οδυσευς Ιθ[ακησιος	ελ]ασσε	
	[ταυτ]α μεν αίσιμα ειπ[ας		
	[πολλ]α μεν εν μεγαρ[οισιν		

Col. iii.

	[και πισυ]ρας κ[υ]νεας χαλκηρεας ιπποδασειας	
	[β]η δε φ[ε]ρων· μ[ε]αλα δ ωκα φιλον πατερ εισαφικανεν	
	[α]υτος δε πρω[τιστα] περι χροι δυσέτο χαλκον	
	ως δ αυτωσ τ[ω] δμωε δυεσθην τευχ[ε]α καλα	
115	εσαν δ' αμφ Ο[δ]υσση δαιφρονα ποικιλομητην	
	[α]υταρ ο γ' οφρα [μεν αυτω αμυνεσθαι εσαν ιοι	
	[τ]όφρα μνηστ[ηρων] ενα γ αιει ω ενι οικω	
	[βα]λλε τιτυσ[κομενος] τοι δ αγχιστινοι επιπτον	
	[α]υταρ επει λ[ι]π[ον] ιοι οιστευοντα ανακτα	
120	[το]ξον μεν π[ι]ρος, σταθμον ευσταθεος μεγαροιο	

[ε]κλειν' εστα[μεναι προς ενωπια παμφανοωντα
 [α]ντος δ' αμφ ω[μοισι] σακος θε[το] τ[ε]τραθελυμνον
 [κ]ις ρ[α]τι δ' επ ι[φθιμω] κυνη[ν] ευ[τ]υκτον εθηκεν
 [ι]ππουριν· [δεινον δε λοφος] καθυ[περ]θεν ενευν
 125 [ει]λετο δ' α[λκιμα] δο[υρ]ε[ι] δυ[ω] κεκ[ορυθ]μενα χαλκω

ορσ[οθυ]ρη δε [τις εσ]κ[ε]ν [ο]υδμήτ[ω] ενι τοιχω
 ακ[ρο]τατον δε π[αρ ου]δον ευστα[θεος] μεγαροιο
 ην οδος ες λαύρη[ν] σα[νίδες] δ' ε[χον εν]τ[ος] ε[ι]σαι
 την δ Οδυσευς φρ[αξ]ε[σθαι] αν[ωγει] δε[ιον] υφ[ορ]βον

130 εσ[ρ]εωτ' αγχοῦ τη[ς] μια[ς] δ' [ό]η γε[ινετ'] εφορμη
 τοις δ' Αγελεως μ[ε]τεπειπε[ν] ε[πος πά]ντεσσι πιφαισκων
 ω φίλοι· ουκ αν δη [τις α]ν [ορσοθυρη]ν αναβα[ιη]
 [κα]ι έποιο λαοισι βοη δ' ω[κιστα] γενοιτο
 [τ]ω κε ταχ' ουτος ανηρ νυ[ν] υστατα τοξασσαιτο
 135 [τον] δ αυτε προσεειπε Με[λανθιος] αιπολος αιγων
 [ου πα]ς εστ' Αγελαε Διδ[ο]ρ[ε]φες αγχι γαρ αινως
 [αυλης] καλα θυρετρα και αρχ[α]λεον στομα λαυρης
 [και χ ει]ς παντας ερύκοι α[μ]η[ρ]ος τ αλκιμος ειη

Col. iv.

[αλλ αγεθ υμιν τευχε] ενείκω θωρηχθῆναι
 140 [εκ θαλαμον ενδον γαρ] οϊομαι· ουδέ πη αλλη
 [τευχεα κατθεσθην Οδυ]σευς και φαιδιμος υίος·
 [ως ειπων ανεβαι]νε Μελανθιος, αιπόλος αιγων
 [εσ θαλαμους Οδυ]σηος ανα ρώγας μεγάροιο
 [ενθεν δωδεκα μ]εν σάκε εξελε τόσσα δε δ[ουρα]
 145 [και τοσσας κυνεας] χαλκήρεας [ι]πποδ[ο]σ[ε]ας
 [βη δ ιμεναι μαλ]α δ' ωκα φερω[ν] μν[η]στηρσιν εδωκε
 [και τοτ Οδυ]σσηος λυτο γουνατ[α] και φιλον ητορ
 [ως περιβαλλομ]ε[νους] ι[δε] τευχεα χερσι τε δουρα

- 182 [ευθ υπερ ουδον εβα]ινε Μελα[νθιος αιπολος αιγων
[τη ετερη μεν χειρ]ι φερων καλη[ν τρυφαλειαν

Col. v.

- [τη δ ετε]ρη [σακο]ς ευρύ γερον πεπ[αλαγμενον αζη
185 [Δαερτε]ω ηρώος ο] κουρίζων φορε[εσκε
[δη τοτ]ε γ' [ηδη κει]το· ραφαι δε ελυντ[ο ιμαντων
[τω δ αρ] επ[αιξαν]θ' ελετην έρυσαν [τε μιν εισω
[κουριξ] εν [δαπε]δωι δε χαμαι βαλ[ον αχυνμενον κηρ
[συν δε ποδας χ]ειρας τε δεον θ[υ]μαλ[γει δεσμω
190 [εν μαλ αποστ]ρεψαντ[ε] διαμπ[ερες ως εκελευσε
192 [σειρην δε] πλεκτη[ν εξ] αυτου πειρηναντε
[κιον αν υψ]ηλην [ερυσαν πελασαν τε δοκοισι
[τον δ επικ]ερτ[ο]μέων προσεφης Ευμαιε συβωτα
195 [νυν μεν δ]η μ[α]λα [παγχυ Μελανθιε νυκτα φυλαξεις
[ευνη ενι μαλ]ακη [καταλεγμενος ως σε εοικεν

Col. vi.

- 230 [σ]η δ' ήλω βουλή· Πρια[μου πολι]ς ευρυαγ[υια
[π]ως δη νυν ύτ[ι]ε σόν γ[ε] δομον κα[ι] κτήμα[θ] ικανεις
[α]ντα μνηστηρων [[α]]λοφ[υ]ραι αλκιμο]ς εινα[ι
αλλ' αγε δευρο πεπον π[αρ] εμ ιστα]σο και ιδε εργον
[όφρ' ιδης οί]ός τοι εν ανδρασι δυσ[μενέεσ]σι
235 Μεντω[ρ] Αλκιμίδης ευεργεσι[ας αποτειν]ε·
η ρα· και ο[ύ] πω παγχυ διδου ετεραλκ[έα] [νι]κην
αλλ έτ' άρα σθ[ενέ]ός τε και [α]λκης [π]ε[ρι]ητιζ[ε]ν
ήμεν Οδυσ[σηος] ηδ' υιου [κ]υδαλ[ίμο]ιο
αυτη δ' αιθαλ[ροεντο]ς [α]να μεγάρ[οιο] [μελ]α[θ]ρον
240 [ε]ξετ αν[αίξ]α[σα χελ]ιδον[ι] εικ[ε]λη ά[ντ]η[ν
[μνηστ]ηρα[ς δ] ωτρυ[ν]ε Δα[μα]στορ[ιδ]ης Α[γ]ε[λαος
Ευρυν[ομος] τε και Αμφιμ[ε]δ[ων] [[M]]ημοπτόλεμος τε
H

Πεισανδρος τε Πολυκτορι[δη]ς Πολυβος τε δ[αί]φρων·
 οι γαρ μνηστηρων α[ρ]ετη εσαν ἐξοχ' ἀριστ[ο]ι

- 245 οσσοι ετ' ἐζων [[τε]] ^{περι τε} ψυχων εμαχοντο·
 τους δ' ηδη εδαμασσε [β]ιος και ταρφέες ιοι
 τοις δ Αγελεως μετεειπεν· ἔπος παντέσσι π[ι]φάυσ[κ]ων·
 ω φίλοι· ηδη σχησει ανηρ ὁδε χειρας ααπτου[s]
 και δη οἱ Μεντωρ μεν εβη κενα ευ[γ]μα[τα] ειπων·
 250 [οι δ] ὅιοι λειπονται επι πρώτῃσι [θ]υρ[η]σι·
 [τω ν]υν μη δ' αμα παντες εφειετε δούρ[ατ]α μακρα
 [αλλ αγ]εθ' α εξ πρωτον ακοντίσας· αι κέ ποθι [Ζ]ευσ
 [δωη] Οδυση[α] βλ[η]σθαι και κῦδος αρεσθαι
 [των δ] ἀλ[λων ου κηδο]ς επην ὅυτός γε πέσῃσι·
 255 [ως εφαθ οι δ αρα παντες ακο]ντισαν ως ἐκέλευσε
 [ιεμενοι τα δε παντα ετ]ωσια θηκεν Αθήνη·
 [των αλλος μεν σταθμον ευ]σταθείος μεγαροιο
 [βεβληκει αλλος δε θυρην πυκι]νωσ αραρυϊαν·
 [αλλου δ εν τοιχω μελιη πεσε χα]λκοβάρεια·
 260 [ανταρ επει δη δουρατ αλευαντο μ]νηστήρων
 [τοις αρα μυθων ηρχε πολυτλας διο]ς Οδυσσευς·
 [ω φίλοι ηδη μεν κεν εγων ειποιμι] και ἄμμι
 [μνηστηρων ες ομιλον ακοντί]σαι οι μεμάασιν
 [ημεας εξεναριξαι επι προτεροισ]ι κακοῖσι
 265 [ως εφαθ οι δ αρα παντες ακοντί]σαν οξέα δοῦρα
 [αντα τιτυσκομενοι Δημποτ]ολεμον μεν Οδυσσευς
 [Ευρυαδην δ αρα Τηλεμαχος Ελα]τον δε συβώτης
 [Πεισανδρον δ' αρ επεφνε βοων επ]ιβουκόλος ανηρ
 [οι μεν επειθ αμα παντες οδαξ ε]λον ασπετον ουδας
 270 [μνηστηρες δ ανεχωρησαν μεγαρ]οιο μυχον δε
 [τοι δ αρ επηξιν νεκυν δ εξ εγ]χε ἔλοντο
 [αυτις δε μνηστηρες ακοντισαν οξε]α δουρα
 [ιεμενοι τα δε πολλα ετωσια θηκεν] Αθηνη

Col. vii.

[τω]ν δ' ἄλλος μὲν [
 275 [βελ]ῆκειν ἄλλος δὲ [
 [ἀλλ]οῦ δ' ἐν τοίχῳ μελ[ιη
 [Ἀμφιμέδ]ων δ' ἀρα Τη[λεμαχόν
 [λιγδὴν ἀ]κρὴν δὲ ῥίνον
 [Κτησι]ππος δ' Εὐμ[αίον
 280 [ῶμο]ν ἐπεγραψέ[ν
 [το]ι δ' αὐτ' ἀμφ' Ὀδυ[[σ]] [σηα] δαΐφρονα ᾧ
 [μ]νηστηρῶν [ἐς ομ]έ[ιλο]ν
 [ἐ]νθ' αὐτ' Εὐρυό[αμαντ]α βα[λε
 [Ἀμφι]μέδοντα [δὲ Τη]λεμ[αχ]ος
 285 [Κτησιπ]πὸν δ' ἀ[ρ] ἐπει[τα β] [ῶων
 βελ[λ]ηκ[ε]ι πρὸς στή[θος ἐπ]ευχομένους
 ὦ Π[ολυ]θερσεΐδῃ πολ[ύ]κερτομε
 εἰκὼν ἀφραδ[ι]ης
 μυθὸν ἐπιτρεψαί
 290 τοῦτο τοι [
 ἀντιθεῶ [
 ἦ ρα βῶων [
 οὔτα Δαμ[αστοριδ]ην
 Τ[η]λεμαχ[ος
 295 δούρι με[σον

ἥριπε δὲ [
 δὴ τοτ' Ἀ[θηναιη
 [υ]ψοθέν ἐξ ὀρ[οφ]ης
 [ο]ι δ' ἐφεβό[ν]το
 300 [τ]ας μὲν τ' ἀ[ιολος
 ὠρῃ ἐν ἱαρινῇ ὄ[τε
 οἱ δ' ὥς τ' αἰγυπιο[ι
 ἐξ ὀρεῶν ἐλθόντ[ες
 ται μὲν τ' ἐν πεδίῳ [
 305 οἱ δὲ τε τα[[ρ]] ὀλεκουσ[ιν
 γαίνεται οὐδὲ φυγῇ [
 ὥς ἀρα το[ι] μνηστηρ[ας
 τυπτον [ἐ]πιστροφ[αδ]ῇ
 κράτῶν τυπτομ[ε]νων
 310 Λειωδ[ης δ' Ὀδυσ]ῆος
 κ[α]ι μιν λι[σ]σ[ομ]έν[ος
 γ[ο]νυνο[υ]μ[αι
 ο[υ] γάρ π[ω
 εἰ[π]εί[ν
 315 π[αν]εσκον
 ἀλλ[α
 τῶ [
 9 columns lost.

Book xxiii.

Col. xvii.

Col. xviii.

185 αὐτο[ς] ἐπελθὼν
 χωρ[η]ν·
] οὐδὲ μάλ' ἠβω[ν
 ση]μα τέτυκται
 ουδὲ τις ἄλλος

230 πειθίς δ' ἡ μὲν [
 ὥς φατο· τῷ δ' εἶτι
 κλαίει δ' ἔχων ἀ[λοχ]ον
 ὥς δ' ὅτ' ἀν' ἀσπ[ασιος
 ὦν τε Π[οσειδ]ων

190 $\epsilon\rho\kappa\epsilon\omicron\varsigma$ εντος

] ηύτε κείων

] οφρα τελεσ[σα

ε]ρεψα

αραρ]ύια[ς

235 ραιση επει[χομενην

παυροι δ' εξεφ[υγον

νηχομενο[ς]] [

α[σ]πασιοι δ' ε[πεβαν

[ω]ς αρα τη' ασ[παστος

240 [δ]ειρης δ' ού π[ω

και νυ κ' οδυ[ρομενοισι

[ει] μη άρ' άλ[λ ενοησε

xxii. 35. υ of *κυνες* has been corrected, the scribe having begun to write a round letter.

37-8. These two lines are transposed in a number of MSS.

37. τε: so U (τέ) Eust.; δέ Lud. with other MSS.

44. The papyrus agrees with the majority of MSS. (so Lud.) in omitting the line *πάπτηνεν δὲ ἕκαστος ὅπη φύγοι αἰπὺν θλεθρον* found in DLW.

87. α[μφοτεροισιν]: ἀμφοτέροισι MSS., Lud.

88. υς of *αχλὺς* has been corrected by the original scribe from *εν*, i. e. he began to write *αχλὺς*.

114. αυ of *αυτως* is over an erasure of ω, by the first hand.

119. The correction is probably by the second hand.

128. εν[τ]ος ε[ισαι]: so XU, "έντος" ἢ "ἐνδον εἶσαι" Eust.; εὖ ἀραρυῖαι other MSS., Lud.

129. l. *Οδυσεὺς*: cf. 141, 281. The ε of *δεῖον* seems to have been deleted.

130. εστεωτ': so Lud. with H, and GP (έ); cf. Aristarchus Ω. 701. Other MSS. vary between *ἑσταῶτ'*, *ἑστῶτ'*, *ἑσταότ'*, and *ἑστεότ'*. The ρ (or φ) written in place of τ by the original scribe was a mere blunder.

αχου εν[ς]: *αχου* is not found here in any MS.; *ἀρχ' αὐτῆς* is the ordinary reading.

141. l. *Οδυσεὺς*: cf. 129, 281.

186. *δε λελυντο*: The manner in which the correction has been made without the addition of any elision-mark indicates that the corrector read *δε λελυντο* (so FZ) rather than *δ' ελελυντο* (other MSS., Lud.); cf. xxiii. 192.

192. The omission of the line *νῆος Λαέρταος, πολύντλας διὸς Ὀδυσσεύς* is in agreement with the majority of the MSS.; so Lud.

233. *ιστα]σο*: so FDULWP; *ἴσταο* Lud. with H, cf. Did. K. 291.

245. The corrector has only actually crossed through the ε of τε, but no doubt the τ was meant to be included. ε of *εμαχοντο* has been corrected.

250. *οιοι* apparently has the rough breathing, as in FH; l. *οἶοι*.

251. δ' after μη is peculiar to the papyrus.

252. α is a mistake for οἱ.

254. *πεςησι*: *πέσῃσιν* Lud.

255. *εκελευσε*: so X (-σεν); *ἐκέλευεν* other MSS., Lud.

257-9. Lud. prints these lines in small type comparing Eust. *τινὲς ὠβέλισαν ὡς τρυτολογούντας*.

264. *κακοισι*: *κακοῖσιν* MSS., Lud.

274. *τω]ν δ*: *οτ*. δ MSS., Lud.; cf. l. 251.

275. *[βεβλ]ηκειν*: so U and Bekker; *βεβλήκει* Lud. with other MSS.

278. *α]κρην*: so U (first hand) and X; cf. Eust. *θηλυκῶς τε καὶ ἀρρενικῶς λέγεται ῥῆνός κατὰ τὰ ἀντίγραφα*. *ἀκρον* Lud. with other MSS., Ariston. P. 599.

281. In connexion with the deleted first σ in Ὀδυσῆα it may be noted that Ὀδυσῆα is found in F, while the second hand has added a second σ above the line in H; cf. l. 129.

287. $\text{πολ}[\gamma]\text{κερτομε}$: so M; φιλοκέρτομε other MSS., Lud.

302. The marginal γ as usual marks the 300th line; cf. 223, &c. Its position opposite l. 302 here is accounted for by the omission of ll. 43 and 191.

307. The second η of μνηστηρ[ας] has been corrected.

xxiii. 192. σφρα τελεσ[σα] : so Bekker (second ed. 1858); ὑφρ' ἐτέλεσσα Lud. with most MSS. Cf. xxii. 186.

237. η in νηχομενοι has been corrected from ω .

449. EURIPIDES, *Andromache*.

Largest fragment 9×7 cm.

These fragments of a single column from the beginning of Euripides' *Andromache* provide what appears to be an early example of the use of the book form (cf. 450). The writing—a medium-sized not very regular uncial, probably of the first half of the third century—is on the *verso* of the papyrus, while on the *recto* in the centre of the page are the letters $\rho\eta$ [or $\rho\iota$.] with a short horizontal stroke above them and a lacuna sufficient for another line below. These letters may represent a number or perhaps a title, e.g. $\rho\eta[\sigma\iota\varsigma \text{ Ἀνδρομάχης}]$. Supposing this MS. to have been a codex the size of a page would have been about 28×14 cm. The text seems to have been a fairly good one. An otherwise unrecorded variant occurs in l. 27.

- 5 [ζηλωτος εν γε τωι πριν Ανδρομαχ]η χρονωι
 6 ν[υν] δ ει τις αλλη δυστυχεστατη γ]υνη
 8 ητις ποσ[ιν] μεν Εκτορ εξ Αχιλλεω]s
 θανοντ' εσ[ειδον] παιδα δ ον τικτ'ωι ποσει
 10 ριφεντα π[υργων] Αστυνακτ απ ορ]θιων
 επει το Τροι[ας] ειλον] Ελλ[ηνες] πεδον
 αυτη δ[ε] δουλη νυν ε]λευθερω[τ]ατων
 οικων ν[ομισθεισ] Ελλαδ' εισαφεικομην
 τωι νησιω[τ]η Νεοπτ]ολεμωι δδρος γερας
 15 δοθεισα' λε[ι]ας Τρωι]κης εξαιρετον
 Φθείας δε [τησδε και] πολεως Φαρσαλίας
 σύγχορτ[α] ναιω] . ρ ι ν ἡ θαλασσια

- Πηλει ξῖνωικει χωρις α]νθρωπων Θε[ι]ς
 φευ[ου]ς ὁμιλον Θεσσαλο]ς δε ν[ι]ν λῆω]ς
 20 Θ[ετι]δ[ειον] ανδαι θεας] χαρ[ιν] νυμφευμ]ατ[ων]
 ε[νθ] οικον εσχε τ]ονδε π[αι]ς Αχιλλ]ε[ως]
 Π[ι]ηλεα δ ανασσε]ιν γης ε[α]ι Φα[ρ]σαλιας
 ζ[ωντος] γεροντος] σκηπτρον [ου] θελων λαβειν
 [καγω] δομοις τοις]δ' αρσενα εντ[ικτω] κορον
 25 [πλαθεισ] Αχιλλεως] παιδι δεσποτ[η]ι δ εμω
 [και] πριν μεν εν κακ]οις κειμεν]ην ομως
 [ελπις] μ αι προσηγε τ]εχθεντ[ος] τεκνου
 28 [αλκην] τιν ευρειν καπ[ι]κουρησιν κακων

 30 [τουμον] παρωςας δεσποτ[η]ς δ' ουλον λεχος
 [κακοις] προς αυτης σχετλ]ιοις ελ[α]ννομαι
 [λεγει] γαρ ως νιν φαρμα]κοις κεκρ[υμμενοις]
 [τιθημ] απαιδα και ποσει] μεισουμ]ενην
 [αυτη] δε ναιειν οικον αντ] αυτης θ[ε]λω
 35 [τονδ] εκβαλουσα λεκτ]ρα τ[α] κ[ε]ινης βιαι
 [αγω] το πρωτον ουχ εκου]σ' ε[δ]εξαμην

 39 [αλλ] ου σφε πειθω βουλεται δε μ]ε κτ[ανειν]
 40 [πατηρ] τε θυγατρι Μενελεως σ]υνδρα[ι] ταδε
 [και] νυν κατ οικους εστ απο Σ]π[αρτης] μολω[ν]
 [επ] αυτο τουτο δειματουμην]η δ' εγω
 [δομων] παροικον Θετιδος εις α]νακτορον
 [θασσω] τοδ ελθουσ ην με κωλ]υσηι θανειν
 45 [Πηλεus] τε γαρ νιν εκγονοι τε] Πηλεως
 [σεβουσιν] ερμηνευμα Νη]ρηιδος γαμων
 [ος] δ εστι παις μοι μονος υπ] εκεμπω λαθ[ρ]αι
 [αλλους] ες οικους μη θαν]ηι φοβουμην

On the *recto*

$\overline{\rho\eta}$

6. The papyrus omits l. 7 as found in the MSS. ἐμοῦ πέφυκεν ἢ γενήσεται ποτε, which the scholiast states was an insertion of the actors. The verse was rejected by Valckenaer and is bracketed by W(ecklein).

10. ριφέντα: so AEP; ῥιφθέντα LB, W.

17. ναίω πεδῖ is the ordinary reading. The papyrus variant was considerably longer.

24. ἀρσενά: the elision is not elsewhere neglected in the papyrus.

27. τ[ε]χθεν[ος]: a new variant; σωθέντος MSS.

35. The accent and the fact that a wider space than usual is left between τὰ and κ show that the scribe did not understand τὰκείνης to be a crasis, which is of course necessary for the scansion.

47. The scribe regarded ὑπεκπέμπω as two words.

450. EURIPIDES, *Medea*.

4·1 × 5·3 cm.

A fragment from the top of a column, containing parts of lines 710-5 of Euripides' *Medea*, written on the *verso* of the papyrus. On the *recto* are two or three mutilated lines of cursive, of the second or third century. The literary text on the *verso*, which is in a somewhat rapid, sloping uncial hand, may be assigned to the third century.

710 [γωνα]των τε των σων ἵκεσ[ια τε γιγνομαι
 [οικτ]ειρον οικτειρον με [την δυσδαιμονα
 [και μ]η μ ερημον εκπεσου[σαν εισιδης
 [δεξαι] δε χωρα[[ν]] και δομο[ις εφεστιον
 [ουτω]ς ερωσ σοι προς θεων [τελεσφορος
 715 [γενοι]το πα[ι]δων και αυ[το]ς ολβιος θανois

713. δομοίς: the papyrus thus agrees with the MSS. reading; δομων Prinz-Wecklein.

714-5. These two lines were excised by L. Dindorf and are bracketed by Prinz-Wecklein.

715. και αυ[το]ς: the reading is fairly secure; 1. καὶ τὸς.

451. THUCYDIDES II.

7 × 3·4 cm.

A small fragment from the top of a column containing parts of 10 lines from the end of Chap. 73 and the beginning of Chap. 74 of Thucydides, Book ii. The text, which is written in a third century uncial hand of rather small size, shows

a slight divergence from the usual order in l. 9. How exactly the lines were divided is not certain; the distribution proposed below is fairly satisfactory, though the lacuna at the beginning of l. 2 is somewhat overcrowded.

σκηπτουσ]ι τ[ε] υμειν προς των ορ
 κων ους οι π]ατερες ωμ[οσαν μηδεν νεω
 τερικειν] περι την ξ[υμμαχίαν
 τοιαυτα] των πρεσβε[ων απαγγειλαν
 5 των οι Π]λαταιης εβο[υλευσαντο Αθη
 ναιους μ]η προδιδον[αι αλλ ανεχεσθαι
 και γην] τεμνομενη[ν ει δει ορωντας και
 αλλο πα]σχοντας οτι α[ν ξυμβαη εξ
 ελθειν τε ε]τι μηδενα [αλλα απο του
 10 τειχους αποκρι]νασθα[ι

1. υμειν: ὑμῖν H(ude).

5. Π]λαταιης: so H. with B; Πλαταιῆς CFMG.

9. ε]τι μηδενα: μηδένα ἔτι MSS., H.

452. THUCYDIDES IV,

7 × 3.8 cm.

This is another scrap from Thucydides (iv. 87) written in medium-sized square uncials which we should assign to the end of the second or to the third century. The identification of the fragment—due like that of the preceding and following to Blass—was rendered the more difficult by the fact that *αἵμνηστον* in l. 11, which is the only uncommon word in the text, is a new variant found in no MS. Another otherwise unrecorded reading occurs in l. 3.

εμεθα] παντα[ι δε μαλλον ε
 τερο]υς σπει[δοντες τους
 πλ]ειστους α[ν αδικοιμεν
 ει] ξυμπ[ασιν αυτονομι

πε]ριῶδοιμ[εν προς ταυτα
 βο]υλευσθα[ι ευ και αγωνι
 σ]ασθαι τοις τε [Ε]λλησιν αρ
 10 ξαι πρωτον ελ[ευθερίας

5 αν] επιφε[ροντες υμας
το]υς εναν[τιουμενους

καὶ αἰμνηστ[ον] δοξάν
καταθ[ε]σθαι· καὶ

3. *πλ[εισ]τους* : *πλείονας* M[G], *πλείους* H(uide) with other MSS.

8. βοῦλευσθαι . . . ἀγωνίσασθαι: βοῦλευσθε . . . ἀγωνίσασθε MSS, H. The infinitives in the papyrus may be due to a confusion of the construction or be merely a case of the common interchange of *αι* and *ε*.

10. It is not certain that ξα began the line, since the papyrus is broken away immediately before the ξ; but the division of the lines proposed in the text works well on that hypothesis.

11. αἰμνηστ[ον] : αἰδιον MSS., H.

453. THUCYDIDES VI.

 $8.7 \times 3 \text{ cm.}$

A fragment from Thucydides, vi. 32, written in an upright uncial hand of medium size which may date from the early part of the second century or even from the end of the first. The text coincides so far as it goes with that of Hude except for the use of σ in place of ξ in l. 9.

5 τες δε και τελ[ε]ωσαν
 τες τας σποι[ο]δα[ς] ανη
 γοντο κα[ι] επι[τ] κερ[ω]ς το
 πρωτον[ο] εκπλευσ[αν]τες
 αμλλα[ν] ηδη με[χ]ρι Αιγι
 νης ποι[ο]ουντο κα[ι] οι
 μεν ες τη[ν] Κερκυρα[ν] ενθα
 περ και το αλλο στρ[α]τευ

μα των] συμμαχῶν συνε
10 λεγετο] ηπειγοντο [αφι
κεσθαι] ες δε τας Συρ[ακον
σας ηγ]γελλε[το μεν πολ
λαχοθε]ν τα πε[ρι του επι
[πλου ου μεντοι επιστευετο]
15 επι πολυν χρονου]ν [

454. PLATO, *Gorgias*.

27.5 X 14.5 cm.

The *recto* of this papyrus contains part of a money account in Latin, written in a good-sized cursive hand of the second century. On the *verso* are parts of three columns containing pp. 507-8 of Plato's *Gorgias*, written in a medium-

sized uncial hand of the middle or later part of the second century. Stops are occasionally found, a high point in ll. 62 and 87, and a point opposite the middle of the preceding letter in ll. 50 and 118, though whether these were really intended to represent a different pause is doubtful. There are a few corrections, sometimes in a different hand. Being the first papyrus of part of the *Gorgias* to be discovered, the fragment is of considerable interest, though the text is not very good. There are numerous minor variations from the later MSS., but most of these are clearly wrong; cf. notes on ll. 9, 18, 34, 40, 79, 105, and 116. It is noticeable, however, that in one passage (l. 51) the papyrus agrees with the text of Iamblichus and Stobaeus against the readings of the MSS., and that in another (ll. 113-5) it removes a slight difficulty where an error in the text had already been suspected. It is also a matter of some importance for the textual criticism of Plato that in two places (ll. 48 and 105) the papyrus supports the Vindobonensis against the other MSS. The conjectures of various scholars in the part covered by the fragment gain no support from it, and even in a passage where ἄθλιοι clearly seems to have dropped out of the text before or after οἱ ἄθλιοι, the papyrus agrees with the later MSS. in omitting it; cf. l. 76, note.

We give a collation with the text of Bekker (1826); but for the readings of the MSS. and of Iamblichus and Stobaeus we are indebted to Prof. J. Burnet, who has very kindly placed his collations of this passage at our disposal. B = the Clarkianus, T = cod. Ven. Bibl. Marc. App. class. 4. 1, F = Vind. suppl. gr. 39.

Col. i.

	κα]ι	[δ εὐ πραττοντ]α μακα
	[υπομενοντα καρτερειν]	[ριον τε και εὐδ]αιμονα
	[οπου δει ωστε] πολ[λη αναγ]	[ειναι τον δε] πονηρον
	[κη ω Καλλικλε]ς τον σω	[και κακως πρ]αττοντα
5	[φρονα ωσπερ] διηλθομεν	15 [αθλιον ουτος] δ αν ειη
	[δικαιον οντα] και ανδρει	[ο εναντιως εχ]ων τ[ω]
	[ον και οσιον α]γαθον αν	[σωφρονη ο ακο]λαστος ον
	[δρα ειναι τελε]ως τον δε	[συ επηρεις εγω] μεν ταυτα
	[αγαθον ευ τε κ]αι καλ ^ω [ον]	[ουτω τιθεμ]αι και φη
10	[πραττειν α αν] πραττη τον	20 [μι ταυτ αλη]θη ε[ι]ν[αι]
		1 line lost.

Col. ii.

3 lines lost.

25 ἀ[σκητεον ἀκολασιαν δε] φ[ευ]
 κτ[εον ως εχει ποδω]ν εκασ
 το[ς ημων και παρασ]κευαστε
 ον [μαλιστα μεν μη] δεισθαι
 του κ[ολαζεσθαι εαν] δε δε
 30 ηθη η [αυτος η αλλος] τις των
 οικειω[ν η ιδιωτ]ης η πο
 λισ επιθ[ετεον δικ]ην και
 κολαστεον [ει μελλ]ει ευδαι
 μων ουτος ε[ιναι ε]μοιγε
 35 δοκει ο σκοπ[ος ειν]αι προς
 ον βλεποντ[α δει] ζην και
 παντα εις του[το τα αυ]του συν
 τεινοντα κα[ι τα της πολεω]ς
 οπως δικαι[ουσυν]η παρεσται
 40 και δικαιουσ[υν]η τω μελλον
 τι μακαριω [εσεσθαι ο]υτω
 πραττειν [ουκ επιθ]υμιας
 εωντα α[κολαστους] ειναι
 και ταυτα[ς επιχειρο]υντα
 45 πληρουν [ανηνυτο]ν κα
 [ι]
 κον ληστ[ου βιον ζ]ωντα
 ουτ[ε γαρ αν] αλ[λ]ω ανθρω

πω [προσφιλ]ης ε[ι]η ο τοι
 ουτ[ος] ουτε θ[εω]· κοινω
 50 νει[ν γαρ αδυνατ]ος· οτω
 γαρ μ[η ενι κοιν]ωνια φι
 λια ουκ αν ειη[·] φασι δε οι
 σοφοι ω Καλλικλεις και ου
 ρανον και γην και θεους και
 55 ανθρωπους την κοινωνι
 αν συνεχειν και φιλιαν
 και κοσμιότητα και σω
 φροσυνην και δικαιοτη
 τα και το ολον τουτο δια
 60 ταυτα κοσμον καλουσιν
 ω εταιρε ουκ ακ[ο]σμιαν
 ουδ ἀκολασιαν· συ δε μοι
 δοκεις ου προσεχειν τον
 νουν τουτοις και ταυτα
 65 σ[ο]φ[ος ω]ν[·] αλλα λελη
 θε [σε] οτι η ἴστοις η γε
 ω[μετρι]κη και εν θεοις
 και ε[ν α]νθρωπ[οις] μεγα
 δυν[αται συ δε] πλεονεξι
 70 α[ν]
 · [

Col. iii.

2 lines lost.

· ου δ[ικαιοσυνης και σωφρο]
 75 συνη[ς κτησει ευδαιμονες]
 οι ευδαιμονες κακίας δε οι
 αθλιοι η [ει ο]υτος [αληθης εσ]

2 lines lost.

μ[εθα τι ποτ] εστιν α συ εμοι
 100 ονε[ι]διζ[εις] αρα καλως λε
 γεται η ου [ως αρα εγω ουχ] οι
 ος τ ειμι [βοηθησαι ουτε ε]

- τιν σκεπ[τε]ον τι τ[α] συμβαι
 νοντα τ[α] προσθε[ν] ω Καλ
 80 λικλεις [συμβαινει παντα
 εφ [ο]ις συ [με ηρου ει σπου
 δαζων [λεγοιμι λεγοντα
 οτι κατ[ηγορη]τεον ειη και
 αυτου κ[α]ι υιου και εται
 85 ρου εαν [τι αδικη και τη ρη
 τορικη [επι τουτο χρηστε
 ον^a και Π[ω]λον αισχυνη ω
 ου συγχω[ρειν] αληθη αρα
 ην το ει[ναι] το αδικειν του
 90 αδικει[σθαι] οσω περ αισχι
 ον τοσούτω κακιον και
 τον μελ[λοντα] ορθως ρη
 τορικον [εσεσθαι] δικαιον
 αρα δει ει[ναι] και επιστημο
 95 να των [δικαιων] ο αν Γορ
 γιαν^a εφη [Πωλος δι αισχυ
 μαντω ο[υ]τε των φιλων
 ουδενι ο[υ]δε των οικειων
 105 ουδε σω[σαι] εκ των μεγισ
 των κινδυνων ειμι δ ε
 πι τω β[ο]υλομενω ωσπερ
 οι ατειμ[οι] του εθελοντος
 αν τε τυπ[τειν] βουληται
 110 το νεανικον δη [τουτο
 του σου λογου επι [κορρης
 εαν τε χρηματα α[φ]αιρεισ
 θαι εαν τ εκβαλει[ν] εκ της
 πολεως εαν τε το [εσχατον
 115 αποκτειναι και ο[υ]τω δι
 ακεισθαι τουτω[ν] δη αισ
 χιστον εστιν ως [ο] σος λο
 γος. ο δε δη εμος [ος] τις
 πολλακις μεν η[δη] ειρη
 120 ται ουδεν δε κω[λυει] και
 ετι λεγ[εσθαι] ου^a φ[η]μι ω

9. καλον, the reading of the first hand, is a mere error.

18. μεν: μεν ουν MSS., Bek.

20. ταυτ αληθ[η] ει[ναι]: ταυτα αληθ[η] BF Stob.; αληθ[η] ταυτα T; ταυτ' αληθ[η] Bek.

27. παρασκευαστέον: so BTF Iambl., Bek.; παρασκευαστέον εαυτόν Stob.

28. μη δεισθαι: μηδέν δεισθαι MSS., Bek. But 15 letters would be too much for the lacuna, which should contain 12 or 13.

30. η [αυτος]: so BTF Stob., Bek.; αυτος Iambl.

34. ουτος ει[ναι] ε[μ]οιγε: ει[ναι] ουτος ε[μ]οιγε MSS., Bek.

35. ο σκοπ[ος]: so BTF Iambl., Bek.; σκοπ[ος] Stob.

37. τα αυ[του]: so BTF Stob.; ταυτο[υ] Iambl.; και τα αυ[του] Laur. 85, 6 and Bek.

40. δικαιο[συνη]: this is repeated from l. 39 by an error for σωφροσυνη, the reading of the MSS.

μελλον[τι] μακαριω: μακαρίω μελλοντι MSS., Bek.

44. ταυτα[ς]: so TF Stob., Bek.; ταυτα B Iambl. It is unfortunately impossible to say which was the reading of the papyrus.

46. The two dots indicating the ι of ληιστον are so high above the line that it is probable that the ι was a subsequent insertion.

47. αλ[λ]ω: so BTF Iambl., Bek.; αλλως Stob.

48. προσφι[λ]η[ς] ει[ναι]: so F Iambl., Stob.; προσφι[λ]η[ς] αν ει[ναι] BT, Bek.

51. γαρ: so Iambl., Stob.; δε BT, Bek.; om. F.

52. δε: δ' Bek.

63. ου: οὐδέ Bek.

66. η ισοτης: so BTF Iambl., Bek.; ισότης Stob.

68. The MSS. have μέγα δύναται. Above the end of the line is a horizontal stroke which we have considered to be the cross-bar of τ (i.e. τ(ι), inserted probably by the second hand.

76. οι|αθλιοι: so MSS.; ἄθλιοι οἱ ἄθλιοι Bek., adopting the conjecture of Heindorf.

77. εσ|τιν: ἐστι Bek.

79. προσθε|ν ω Καλ|λικλεις: πρόσθεν ἐκείνα ὦ Καλλίκλεις MSS., Bek. There is room for one or two more letters in the lacuna, but not for εκείνα.

105. ουδε σω|σαι: so F; οὐδ' ἐκσῶσαι BT, Bek.

113. τ εκβαλε|ν: τε ἐκβάλλειν MSS., Bek. ἀποκτείναι (l. 115) has been altered by Badham to ἀποκτεινύναι (ἀποκτεινύναι Schanz) in order to balance ἐκβάλλειν. But εκβαλεω in the papyrus supports the aorist infinitive there.

116. τουτω|ν: πάντων MSS., Bek.

455. PLATO, *Republic* III.

9 x 6.6 cm.

PLATE VI.

A fragment of the third book of Plato's *Republic*, p. 406, written in a not very regular uncial hand of medium size. On the *verso* are parts of nine lines of a document in late third or fourth century cursive; the writing on the *recto*, which is somewhat late in style, may accordingly be assigned to the middle or latter part of the third century. Changes of speaker are marked by the usual double dots. There are practically no variants from the text of Bekker.

.
] εἰ γὰρ ἐννοεῖς
 [εἰπον] οτι τη παιδαγω[ω
 [γικηι τ]ων νοσηματ[ων
 [ταυτη]ε τη νυν ιατρικ[ηι
 5 [προ] του Ασκληπιαδ[αι
 [ουκ ε]χρωντο ως φα[σι
 [πρι]ν Ηροδικον γεν[ε
 [σθαι] Ηροδικος δε πα[ι
 [δοτρ]ιβης ων και νοσω

10 [δης γ]ενομενος μιξας
 [γυμ]ναστικην ἱατρικη
 [α]πεκναισε· πρωτον
 [μ]εν και μαλιστα εαυτο[ν
 [ε]πειτα αλλους υστερο[ν
 15 [πο]λλους: πηι δη εφ[η]:
 [μα]κρον ην δ εγω τον
 [θα]νατον α[ν]ται ποιη[σας
 [παρ]ακο[λουθων

1. εἰ γὰρ: εἴ γ' Bek., but the reading here is uncertain.

456. PLATO, *Republic IV.*

5.8 × 7 cm.

A small fragment from Plato's *Republic*, IV p. 422 D, written in a medium-sized uncial hand probably towards the end of the second or in the early part of the third century. A change of speaker is indicated, as commonly, by double dots. There are no variants from Bekker's text.

· · · · ·
 [ται εκ των ει]κοτων διπ[λα
 [σιοις] τε και τριπλασιοι[s
 [αυτων μ]αχουνται: συν[
 [χωρησομ]αι σοι εφη δο[
 5 [κεις γαρ μ]οι ορθως λεγειν [:
 [τι δ αν] πρεσβειαν πεμ
 [ψα]ντες εις την ετεραν
 [πο]λιν ταληθη ειπω
 [σιν] οτι ημεις μεν ου
 10 [δε]ν χρυσιω ουδ' αργυ

457. AESCHINES, *In Ctesiphontem.*

13.4 × 7.3 cm.

A column from a roll containing the speech of Aeschines against Ctesiphon, written in a round uncial hand of medium size probably in the second century. The part preserved corresponds with § 167, and shows an interesting text with several readings not found in any of the existing manuscripts; while a claim for the consideration of these is made by the fact that the papyrus agrees with the best group of MSS. in a crucial passage (ll. 13-5). Our collations of this and the other oratorical fragments are with the Teubner editions of Blass.

ωσπερ τας βελον[ας δι		[ναι σ]ν γαρ αν κωμην
ειρουσιν ταυτα δε τ[ι	§ 167	15 αποσττησειας συ γ[αρ] αν
[εστιν ω] κιναδος ρημ[α		προσελ[θ]οις μη οτ[ι π]ρος

τα η θ[α]νματα [και πα
 5 λιν οτε κυκλω περιδει
 νων σεαυτον επι του
 βηματος ελεγες ως αν
 τιπραττων Αλεξαν
 δρω ομολογ[ω] τα Α[α]κω
 10 νικα συστη[σ]ασθ[α]ι ο
 μολογω Θετταλου[ς] και
 Περραιβους αφ[ι]σταναι
 [συ Θε]τταλους αφ[ι]στα

[πο]λιν αλλα προς [οικι
 [αν ο]που κινδυν[ος] παρε
 [σ]τιν αλλ ει μιν [που
 20 [χρ]ηματα αναλ[ι]σ[κ]ε
 [ται] προσκαθ[ι]ς[η]σ[ει] πρα
 [ξί]ν δ[ε] ανδρος ου π[ί]ρα
 [ξί]ς εαν δε αυτοματ[ον]
 [τι σ]υμβη αγαγ πρ[ο]σ
 25 [ποι]ησει και σεαυ[τον] ε
 [πι τ]ο γεγ[ενημενον]

1. δι[κ]ειρουσιν: δι[κ]ιρουσι B(lass).

2. Considerations of space make τ[ι] (B. with ekl Dionys. *Dem.* c. 57) much more probable than τ[ι]νος or τ[ι]νος.

10. συστη[σ]ασθ[α]ι: συστήσαι MSS., B.

13-5. The papyrus here agrees with ekl (followed by B.). Other MSS. omit σὺ γάρ . . . ἀποστήσας or read σὺ Θετταλοῦς ἀποστήσας.

18. παρε[σ]τιν: πρόσεστιν MSS., B.

21. προσκαθ[ι]ς[η]σ[ει]: there is not room for εσθ in the lacuna after προσκαθ, and not more than four or five letters are wanted at the end of the line. It is therefore probable that the papyrus read προσκαθίζησει (Lobeck, Bekker, Franke, B.), προκαθίζησεις (Zonar. 1169) or προκαθεζήσει (V); προσκαθίζεις (or -ειν) eis ekhl, προκαθεστήση df, προκαθεστήση other MSS. Above the line to the right of the θ is an oblique dash like an accent.

23. δε: δ' B.

24. αγαγ πρ[ο]σποι[η]σει: προσποιήση MSS., B., omitting αγαγ.

25. σεαυ[τον]: σεαυτόν MSS., B.

458. AESCHINES, *De Falsa Legatione*.

Fr. (a) 7.3 × 4.6 cm.

Three fragments written in a good-sized uncial hand of a common third century type (cf. 447), comprising parts of §§ 21, 26-7, and 29-30 of Aeschines' oration *De Falsa Legatione*. The text contained several errors, which have been corrected in a small uncial hand, probably that of the original scribe.

	(a)		(b)
§ 21	[ο]τι χρη λεγειν ημας	.	.
	των συνπρ[ε]σβεων	.	τω[ν] δοκουντων αυ

καὶ Κίμωνος εἶπον	τοῖς εἶναι φίλων Παν	§ 27
τὸς οὐ φοβείται μὴ δι	σανισιν δ ἐπὶ τὴν ἀρ	
5 καιολογουμένους περὶ	χὴν αὐτῶν κατιο	
γενοῖτο ἡμῶν ο Φι	φυγὰς μὲν οὗτος	
λιππος πηγὰς δὲ δη	5 τὸς τῷ [καίρω δ ἰσ	
[λ]ογῶν ἀφθονοὺς ε		
[χει]ν ἐπηγ' ἔλλετο	(c)	
10 [περὶ] τῶν δικαίων τῶν		
[υπερ] Ἀμφίπολ[εως]	μαχίαν ἐπ' οἴη[σατο	
	καὶ παλιν] ὡς Π[ερδικκας	
	εἰς τὴν ἀρχὴν κατὰ	
	στας ὑπερ Ἀμφίπολε	
	5 ὡς ἐπολέμησε τὴ πο	
	λεῖ καὶ τῇ ὑμ[ετέρα ἡ	§ 30
	δικημ[εν]νὴν [ομῶς φι	

(a) 1-2. ἡμᾶς τῶν συμπεσβίων is the reading of the MSS. (except one which omits τῶν συμπερ.), but is omitted by B(las), following Taylor.

4. φοβοῖτο is the reading of the MSS. and B.

7. The MSS. are divided between δέ, δὴ (so B.) and δὲ δὴ. What the papyrus read is uncertain; for in the corresponding lacuna at the end of ll. 4, 5, and 9 six letters are to be supplied, but in that at the end of l. 6 only four.

8-9. ἀφθονοὺς ἐχειν: om. ἔχειν B. with one MS.; the other MSS. have ἔχειν ἀφθόνους or ἀφθόνους ἔχειν, except one which places ἔχειν after ἐπηγγέλλετο.

(b) 1-2. αυτοῖς: αὐτῆς B. with most MSS.

5. φυγὰς μὲν οὗτος supplied above the line had obviously been omitted through homoioteleuton.

(c) 6-7. τὴν ὑμετέραν ἡδικημένων is the reading of all the MSS. and B.

459. DEMOSTHENES, *Contra Aristocratem*.

20.5 × 14.3 cm.

A leaf from a papyrus book containing pp. 657-9, §§ 110-19 of Demosthenes' speech against Aristocrates. The hand is a small sloping uncial which we should attribute to the third century; this is, therefore, an unusually early

example of a classic in codex form. Several alterations have been made in the text, some of which may be by the original scribe, while others seem to be by a second hand; to the latter probably are also to be attributed the occasional marks of punctuation, breathings, and elision signs. Neglect of the principle of elision is, however, very common in this MS., the divergences of which in this respect from the text of Blass are omitted from the collation given below.

Verso.

- [πλειω] κα[ι] φίλος ειναι θαυμαζειν φησο[υσιν] εγω δ ουκ α
 [πορω] μεν [ει]πειν πολλα μοι δοκει μαλλον αν τις ιδω^α
 [απ]ιστειν [ει]κοτως η τουτοις πιστευων εκεινον εα[ν] με
 [γα] γιγνε[σ]θαι· ου μην αλλ' ὁ μα[λι]στα προχειρον εχ[ω] τουτο
 5 [ερ]ω· ὕστε δ]ηπου Φιλ[ι]ππον ω [ανδ]ρες Αθηναιοι του[τ]ονι
 [τον Μ]ακεδονα· ω π[ολ]υ δη[που] μ[α]λλον ελυσιτελει τ[ας] εξ α
 [πᾶ]σης Μακεδονιας προσοδ[ους] αδεως [λ]αμβανειν [η] με
 [τα] κινδ]υνων τας επ[ε] Αμφ[ιπο]λεως· και χρησθαι φίλοις
 [αιρετω]τερ[ο]ν ην αυτω τ[ο]ις πατ[ρι]κοις η Θετταλο[ι]ς οι τον
 10 πατ[ερ] αυτο[ν] π[ο]τ[ε] εξ[ε]βαλον· ανευ δε τουτου κακε[ι]νο εσ
 τιν ιδει[ν] υμεις μεν ω ανδρ]ες Αθηναιοι ουδενα [προ]ιδω
 κατε π[ω]ποτε των φίλων Θετταλοι δε ουδ[ε]να πωποθ
 [οιτιν] ου αλλ ομως ουτως εχοντων το[ν]των μικρα
 [λα]μβανειν και τους απιστους φίλους· κα[ι] το κί[ν]
 15 δυ[ν]ευειν αντι του μετ ασφαλειας ζην ο[ρα]τε προη[ρ]η
 [με]ν[ον] αυτον τι δη ποτε] το [α]ί[τιον] ου γαρ δ]η λογον γ[ε] το
 [π]ραγ[μ] ουτωσι προ[χ]ε[ι]ρο[ν] εχει οτι ω ανδρες Αθηναιοι
 δυοιν α[γα]θοιν ο[ν]τοι πασιν αν[θ]ρωποις του μεν ηγου
 [με]νου κα[ι] μεγιστου παντων του ευτυχειν το[ν] δ [ε]λ[α]τ
 20 [το]νο[ς] μ[ε]ν τουτου τω[ν] δε [α]λλων μεγιστου του κ[α]λως βουλευσα
 [σθαι] ουχ[ε] αμα η κτη]σις παραγιγνε[ται] τοις αν[θ]ρωποις· ου
 δ ε[χ]ει των ευ πρα]ττοντων ουδ[ε]ις ο[ρ]ον ουδ[ε] τελευτην
 τη[ς] το[ν] π[λ]ε[ο]ς κ[ε]ιν επιθυμιας δι οπερ πολλοι πολλα
 15 κ[ι]ς μ[ε]λ[ε]το[ν] επιθυμουντες και τα παροντα απωλε

- 25 [σα]ν· [κ]αι τι δε[ι] Φιλιππον λεγε[ι]ν η τινα αλλον· αλλ ο πα
[τηρ αυ]τος ο Κερσοβ[λ]επτου Κοτυς· ηνικα ^{ειν} στασιαζοις
[πος] τινας προ[β]εις πεμπων απαντα ποι[παων] ε
[τοιμ]ος ην· και τοτ[ε] ησθανετο ως αλυσιτελες το τη πολει
πο[ο]λεμεν ^δεστιν· [ε]πει δ υφ. εαυτω την Θρακην ε[ι]χ^{χοι}εν]] κα
30 [τελ]αμβανε τας πολεις ηδικι μεθων επαρωνι μαλι
[στ]α μ[ε]ν εις αυτον ειτα και εις υμας· την χωραν εποieiθ'
[υφ εαυτ]ω· το πραγμα αμηχαν[ο]ν ην των γαρ υπερ του

Recto.

- [πλεονεκτ]ειν επιχειρουντων οis ου χρ[η] ο]ν τα δυσχερεστα
[τα] εκαστος ειωθεν λογιζεσθαι· αλλ' α κατ[ορθ]ωσας διαπρα
35 [ξε]ται· εγω δη δειν υμ[α]ς οι[μα]ι τουτον τον [τ]ροπον [βεβου
[λευ]σθαι οπως αν μ[ε]ν α χρ]η πε[ρ]ι υμων γι[γν]ωσκη [Κερσο
[βλε]πτης μηδεν υφ υμ[ων] αδικ]ησεται· [αν δ'] [α]λογ[ως αδι
[κει]ν επιχειρη μη [μει]ζων [ε]σται του δικην [δουναι ανα
[γν]ωσομαι δ' [υ]μιν τ[η]ν επιστολην ην· οτε α[φ]ειστηκει
40 Μιλτοκυθης Κοτυς επεμ[ψ]ε· και ην οτε π[α]σαν εχων
[τ]ην αρχην πεμψα[ς Τιμ]ομαχ[ω] τα χωρια [υμων εξει
[λ]ε· λεγε [ε]πιστ[ο]λαι [

τοιουν

- [του]το ω ανδρες Αθ[η]ναιοι το παραδειγμ[α] εωρακοτ[ε]ς
[αν ε]μοι πεισθη[τε]· ειδοτ[ε]ς οτι
45 [Φιλιππος οτε μεν Αμφιπολιν επολιορκει ιν υμιν πα]
ραδω πολ[ιορ]κειν εφη επειδη δ ελαβεν και Ποτιδαιαν
προσαφε[λετο εκεινην την πιστιν βουλησεσθ] εχειν
ηνπερ [προς τους (?) Λακεδαιμονιους ποτ ειπ]ειν φασι
Φιλοκρατην τ[ον]
[Ιφικρατην Εφια]λτου κα[ι] γα[ρ] ε[κ]εινον φασι[ν] εξαπα
50 [τωντων τι των Λακεδαι]μονιων κ[αι] προτ[ει]νοντων
π[ιστιν] ηντινα[ς] βουλεται λαμβανειν ειπε[ιν] οτι πιστ[ι]
αν οieta[ι] γενεσθαι μονην [ε]ι δειξ[ει]αν ο]πως αν αδι
κειν βουλω[ν]ται μη] δυνησονται [επει οτι] βουλησονται

[[αδικειν]] ευ ειδεναί· εως αν ουν δ[υνωνται] πιστιν ουκ ει
 55 ναι· ταυτην εαν εμοι χρησθε συμ[βουλ]ω· φ[υλ]αξέτε τῇ
 πιστιν προς τουτοι τον Θρακα και μη βουλη[σθ]ε ειδεναί
 τινα αν ει πασης αρξειεν Θρακης π[ρ]ος ὑμας σχοιη γνω
 μην· οτι τοιυνν ολωσ ουδε ὑγιανοντων εστιν ανθρωπῶ
 τοιαυτα γραφειν ψηφισματα κ[αι] διδοναι τ[ι]σι τοιαυτας
 60 δωρεας και τουτ εκ πολλων ραδιον [γν]ωναι· ι[στε γ]αρ δη
 που παντες ω ανδρες Αθηναιοι τ[ου]το ομοιωσ ε[μο]ι· οτι
 τον Κοτυν ποτε εκ[ε]ινον εποιη[σα]σθε λιτην· δηλ[ο]ν
 ως κατ εκεινον τον χρονον ευ[ο]υν ηγουμενοι [[και]]
 [[φιλον]]· και μην και χρυσοις σ[τ]εφανοις εστεφ[α]νουτε ου
 65 κ αν ει γε εχθρον ηγεισθε· αλλ ομως επειδη π[ο]ν[η]ρος
 και θεοις εχθρος ην και μεγαλα ὑμας ηδικε[ι τους α]π[ο]

5. ω [ανδ]ρες: om. ω B(lass), with SO.

8. εἰς Ἀμφιπόλεως, the alternative reading here, is found in all the MSS.

9. υμιν or ημιν is read in the MSS.

10. ανευ δε: ανευ γάρ B., with the MSS.

16. το [α]χ[ρ]ιον: ταῦτιον B.

20. At the end of the line βουλευσα[σθαι] was apparently written for βουλευσασθαι. The papyrus is rubbed, but there does not seem to be room for the υ. βουλεύεσθαι MSS.

21. Considerations of space make it very improbable that the final α of αμα was elided, as B.

23. The numeral 16 in the margin marks the beginning of a new chapter or section; cf. P. Grenf. II. 11. ii. 4.

24. και τα: om. και MSS., B.

26. στασιαζοις is a mistake for στασιαζοι.

27. What was first written after απαντα apparently makes no word; the scribe perhaps had πεμπων still in his mind.

29. εστιν: om. B., with the MSS. The correction επειδη is in accordance with the usual reading; ἐπειδάν FS.

εχοι: so B., with most MSS.; ἔχει Ον; ειχεν, which was first written here, is the reading of Wolf and Dindorf (εἶχε).

32. [υφ εαντ]ω: so krsv; [εαντ]ω (B., with S &c.) would not fill the lacuna, and the vestiges suit ω better than υ.

40. οτε: so MSS.; B. omits ὅτε, with Dindorf.

41. εξελ[ε]: ἐξείλεν B.

42. λεγε: om. MSS., B.

43. [του]το τοιυνν: τοῦτ' B., omitting τοῖνυν with the MSS.

44. πεισθητε: so rsv; πείθησθε B. with pr. S, AY.

κακείνω, which is all that intervenes in the MSS. between πείσθησθε and εἰδότες, does not nearly fill up the available space.

48-9. The MSS. vary between Φιλοκράτην (SYO) and Ἰφικράτην, and all have ἡ περ

[μενον και] την Κορω	δε τουτων γλιχεσθ[αι
[νειαν	20 [τ]αδε συνκατεπραξ[αν
.	[των] τοινυν ιδιων
	[ε]νεχ ευρ[ησετε

2. The vestiges at the end of this line give no real clue to the letters, and it is impossible to determine whether the papyrus agreed with S in reading *πέπρακται τι* against the *κάλλιστα πέπρακται* of other MSS.

5-6. οὐδὲν ἂν αὐτοῖς ἐδόκει εἶναι is the reading of the MSS.

6. εβου[λοντο; so V; ἡβούλοντο other MSS., Blass.

13. αυτοὺς: εἰαυτοῖς B.

14. The papyrus agrees with S (so B.) in omitting εἶναι, which is found in other MSS. after ἡγοῦντο.

17. There would be room for from three to five letters after δυο[ν, but it is difficult to see what could have been added here. Perhaps there was some correction.

22. [ε]νεχ: εἶνεχ' B.

461. DEMOSTHENES, *De Corona*.

7.5 × 5.5 cm.

This fragment from the top of a column contains part of Demosthenes' *De Corona*, p. 227, §§ 7-8, written in rapidly formed sloping uncials which are more likely to date from the third century than from the end of the second. An unknown variant occurs in l. 9, but the passage is mutilated.

[τω φευγοντι παρελθε]ιν ει μη
 [των] δικαζον[τ]ων νμω-
 [εκαστ]ος την προς τους θε
 [ους ευ]σεβειαν διαφυ
 5 [λαττ]ων και τα του λεγον
 [τος υσ]τερου δικαια ευνο
 [ικως] προσδεξαιτο· και
 [παρασ]χων αυτον ισον
 [και . .]ιον αμφοτεροις
 10 [ακροατ]ην ουτω τ[η]ν δια

[γνωσιν] ποιησε[τ]αι περι
 [απαντω]ν· μελλ[ω]ν δε
 [του τ ιδιο]ν βίου [π]αντος
 [ως εοικ]ε λογ[ου]

2-3. υμων [εκαστ]ος; ἑκαστος ὑμῶν MSS., B(lass).

4. διαφυ[λαττ]ων: φυλάττων B. with S pr. L.

7. προσδεξαιτο: προσδέξεται MSS., B.

8. The interlinear ε is by the original scribe; αὐτόν B.

9. The MSS. have ἴσον καὶ κοινόν, and κοινον is probably the word here inserted (by the first hand) above the line. The adjective first written certainly ended in -ιον, and the vestiges of the letter before would suit α, δ, λ, or ο: ? ομ[ο]ιον.

462. DEMOSTHENES, *De Corona*.

17.7 × 8.6 cm.

Parts of two columns containing portions of §§ 25-8 (pp. 233-4) of the *De Corona*, written in a good-sized third century uncial hand resembling that of 223 and 420. There are a few variants, but the text of the papyrus is a poor one. An erroneous reading in l. 28 has been corrected in a different hand. Two kinds of stops (the high and low points) occur, and a wedge-shaped sign of varying size is used for filling up short lines.

Col. i.

[υπερ υμων και το τ]η
 [πολει συμφερον ζ]η
 [των εγω μεν τοι]νυν
 [εγραψα βουλευω]ν απο
 5 [πλειν την ταχ]ιστην
 [τους πρεσβει]ς επι τους
 [τοπους εν οis] αν οντα
 [Φιλιππον πυ]νθανον
 [ται ουτοι δ ο]υδε γραψα-
 10 [τος εμου ταυ]τα ποιειν

Col. ii.

θ [οι ορκοι και μη προ
 λ]αβων εκεινος τους ε
 π[ικαιρους των τοπων
 κυρ]ιος της Θρακης κατα
 25 σταιη [μηδε πολλων
 μεν χρη]ματων πολ
 λων δε σ[τ]ρατιωτων

[ηθελησαν] τι δε τουτο	§ 26	[[^{ευ} ψευδη]]πορη[σας εκ του	
[ηδυνατο ω αν]δρες Αθη		των ραδι[ως τοις λοιποις	
[ναιοι εγω δι]δαξω· Φι	30	επιχειρ[οιη] πραγμα	
[λιππω με]ν ην συμ		σιν· ειτα [τουτο μεν ουχι	§ 28
15 [φερον ως π]λειστον τον		λεγει το ψ[ηφισμα ουδ α	
[μεταξυ] χρονον γε		ναγεινω[σκει ει δε βου	
[νεσθαι τω]ν ορκων υ		λευων εγω π[ροσαγειν	
[μιν δε ως] ελαχιστον· δια	35	τους πρεσβ[εις ωμην	
[τι οτι υμεις] αφ ης ημε		δειν. του[το μου δια	
20 [ρας ωμοσ]ατε μονον αλ		βαλλει αλλ[α τι εχρην	

8-9. πυ|νθανου[ται : 1. πυνθάνωνται. After this the papyrus omits καὶ τοὺς ὄρκους ἀπολαμβάνειν (MSS., Blass).

11. τουτο : τουτ' B.

19. ὑμεῖς μὲν οὐκ ἀφ' ἧς ὠμόσαθ' ἡμέρας μόνον B., with MSS.

28. ψευδηγορησας, the reading of the first hand, has been corrected to ευπορησας (MSS., B.).

36. του[το μου : τοῦτο δέ μου B. (following Isidor. III. 259), who alters ἐχρῆν in the next line to χρῆν.

463. XENOPHON, *Anabasis* VI.

Width of column 5 cm.

Part of Xenophon's *Anabasis* VI. vi. §§ 9-24, written in narrow and rather short columns; the lower portions of seven are preserved. The handwriting is a good and apparently rather early specimen of the square sloping style, and may be assigned to the end of the second or the first half of the third century. The middle point occurs irregularly and the common angular sign is used to fill up short lines. Our collation is with the edition of Gemoll (Teubner, 1900), supplemented by that of Dindorf (Oxford edition, 1855); for some additional information concerning the readings of D and E we are indebted to Mr. E. C. Marchant.

For purposes of textual criticism this papyrus is of considerable interest. The MSS. of the *Anabasis* fall into two well-defined divisions, a small group headed by the Parisinus (C), and a more numerous group, generally recognized as inferior to the other, but containing readings which all editors accept. The peculiarity of the papyrus lies in the fact that it combines lections characteristic

of both classes of MSS. Thus, while agreeing in several cases with the superior family against the inferior, it shows six instances of agreement with the inferior class against the superior where the latter is plainly wrong. The same characteristic of partial coincidence with both groups was traced by Dindorf (Preface to the Oxford edition of 1855, p. viii) in the quotations from the *Anabasis* in Athenaeus. This however is a debateable point and need not be insisted upon. In any case the papyrus may be taken to represent not unfairly the tradition of the first few centuries of the Christian era; and it becomes very questionable whether modern critics have not carried their preference for one group of MSS. somewhat too far. Gemoll, for instance, makes it the principle of his recent edition only to have recourse to other evidence where the reading of C is patently erroneous. This is no doubt a convenient and practical method; but its defects should not be lost sight of.

Col. i.	Col. ii. lost.
	Col. iii.
Α]ακεδ[αιμο	
[νιοι ε]νταυθα πο § 10	εγ]ω μ[εν § 15
[ν]ηρον εδοκει το	[ουν απολ]υω [και ν
[π]ραγμα ειναι τοις	[μας της] αιτια[ς και
5 Ελλησιν και εδεον	[Αγ]ασιαν αν α[ν
το μη ποιειν ταυ	15 [τος] Αγασιας φησ[ηι
τα ο δ ουκ αν αλλως	[εμ]ε τι τουτων αι
εφη γενεσθαι ει	[τιο]ν ειναι και κα
[μ]η τις εκδωσει τον	[ταδ]ικαζω εμαν
10 αρξαντα βαλλειν	[του] ει εγω πετροβ[ο
Col. iv.	Col. v.
	κ]αι υμ[εις μεν § 18
	30 [μη εκ]δωτε [με ε
20 εσομεθ]α αλ[λ	[γω δε ε]μαντον [ωσ
[ειρ]ξο[μ]ε[θα] ε[κ]	[περ Ξε]νοφω[ν λε
[τω]ν Ελληνιδων	[γει π]αρασχ[ησω
[πολ]εων μετα ταυ § 17	[κρι]ναντι Κ[λεαν

[τα αν]αστας ειπεν
 25 [Αγασ]ιας. εγω ω αν
 [δρες ο]μνυμ[ι θε]
 [ους και θ]εας η [μη]ν
 [μητε] με Ξενο[φ]ων

35 [δρω]ι οτι αν βο[υ]λη
 [ται] ποιησαι του
 [του] ενεκα μητε
 [πολε]μειτε Λακε
 [δαιμ]ονιοις σωζε
 40 [σθε τε] ασ[φ]αλως ποι
 [θελε]ι εκ[α]στος συμ
 [πεμ]ψα[τ]ε μεντοι
 [μοι υ]μ[ω]ν αυτων

Col. vi.

[τηγο]ι [επεμψεν] η § 20
 45 [μας] η στ[ρα]τια προς
 [σε ω] Κλεανδρε και
 [κελευ]ουσι σε ειτε
 [παν]τας αιτιαι κρι
 [ναντ]α σε αυτον
 50 [χρησ]θα[ι] οτι εαν
 [βουλη]ι ειτε ε[να τι
 [να η δ]υο και π[λει

Col. vii.

[τον το]ν ανδρα
 [και παι]ειν κελ[ευ
 55 [σας Δεξ]ιππον [του § 22
 [τον μ]εν γα[ρ ο]ιδα
 [ανδρα] αγαθ[ον ο]ντα
 α[ιρεθε]ντα υ[πο της
 σ[τρατι]ας αρχειν
 60 τ[ης πε]ντηκον
 [τορου] ης ηιτησα
 [μεθα παρα] Τραπε
 [ζουντιων ε]φ [ω]ι

Col. viii.

σ]ω
 65 [θηναι εις τη]ν
 [Ελλαδα το]υτογ
 [ουν] τοιουτογ [ον
 [τα α]φειλομην ει § 24
 δε συ ηγες η αλλος
 70 τις των π[α]ρα σου
 και μη τω[ν] πα[ρ η

3-4. τὸ πρᾶγμα ἔδδκει is the reading of ABCE (so G(emoll)), the other MSS. having ἔδοκει τὸ πρᾶγμα ἐκείνο. The papyrus thus follows the order of the latter, while agreeing with the former in omitting ἐκείνο.

5. Ἑλλησιν: "Ἑλλησι MSS., G.

15. φησ[η]: so D; the papyrus may of course have had the ungrammatical φησίν found in ABCE, but it is unlikely.

16. τι: so BCE, G.; τινός D and the 'deteriores.'

18. εμαυ[του]: so E and the 'deteriores,' G.; εαυτοῦ ABC.

24-5. εἶπεν [Ἀγασ]ίας: this is the order of ABCE; the other MSS. transpose the words.

30. ἐκῶτε [με]: since a single letter after ἐκῶτε would make an unusually short line, it is probable that the papyrus read [με, with ABCE. These MSS., however, have ἐκδότε (ἐκ δότε B) for ἐκδῶτέ, which the papyrus rightly reads with the 'deteriores.' This is a good instance of the eclectic character of the present text. ἐκδῶτέ με G.

35. οτι: so ABCDEFH; ὅ other MSS.

38. [πολε]μειτε: so ABCE; πολεμῆτε the 'deteriores.'

39. σωξ[ε]σθε: the reading of the 'deteriores'; σώξοισθε G, with ABC (σώξοισθαι A).

40. ποι: ὅποι DFHIKZ (so G.), ὅπου ABCE, ὅπη other MSS.

43. The papyrus certainly agreed with ABCDEHIKL in reading μοι, which other MSS. omit.

47. [κελεύου]σι: ἐκέλευσε ABCE, G.; κελεύουσι the other MSS. (κελεύουσιν L).

εἰτε: so G., with the 'deteriores'; εἴ τι ABCE.

50. ευν: l. ἄν.

52. και: so D; ἥ καί other MSS., G.

57-8. The papyrus has omitted Δέξιππον δὲ οἶδα, which is found in all MSS. after οὔτα and is necessary for the sense. The error was perhaps due to the homoioteleuton of οἶδα and οὔτα, assisted by the fact that οἶδα had just preceded. It is noticeable that the omitted words are together just the length of one of the papyrus lines. We may then assume that the archetype followed the order found in ABCE οἶδα αἰρεθέντα: αἰρεθέντα οἶδα other MSS.

61. ητισησάμεθα: ἡτισάμεθα ACE.

69-70. ηγες η αλλος τις: ἡγῇ ἄλλως ἢ τις A (ἡγῇ) BCE; ἡγες ἡ ἄλλος τις G., with the 'deteriores.'

71. και μη: so again the 'deteriores' and G.; ἥ καί ABCE.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS LITERARY FRAGMENTS

464. ASTROLOGICAL EPIGRAMS.

25.4 X 23.2 cm.

• Late third century.

THE following series of epigrams is written upon the *verso* of the papyrus the *recto* of which contains the fragment of a rhetorical treatise in Doric dialect (410). They are in hexameters or elegiacs and of varying length, the longest preserved not exceeding six lines. Unfortunately the papyrus is both broken and rubbed, and the difficulties of decipherment are increased by the character of the hand, an irregular sloping semi-uncial of about the end of the third century, and by the badness of the Greek. Thus but one of the epigrams (ll. 12-6) is really intelligible, and that first requires some emendation. Enough, however, remains to show that the collection, or at least this part of it, was primarily astrological in character; see e.g. ll. 5, 13-6, 48, 58. Prefixed to each epigram is a short heading giving the subject of what follows, the prevailing topic being the family—healthy or unhealthy children (ll. 12-23), childlessness and its opposite (ll. 40-50, 57 sqq.). The literary merit of the composition is small. The several verses are often written continuously, and the lines are irregular in length. Marks of elision are occasionally inserted, and a stop occurs at the end of l. 46.

Col. i.

.
 εἰ μηδεις [.
 και τον επ[.
 τερεισει [.
 ομ[.
 5 [ε]ι δε κυον . [.] . . νην και κ[.
 [.]κα αλλων δουλους τουσδε νοει ξ . [.
 [κα]τα εμβασει[ω]ς
 κ[.]κρ . . . κ[.] . [. . .]ρ[. . .]ν[. . .] . θεος η[.
 αγαθας ο δ Αρης επι τ[. . .]δα[.
 10 μ[. . .] . ατις εστιν βεβ . [. . .] . . θαν[.
 τε . [. . .]οισι

περι βρεφους ζην . [
 αυταρ επην Φαεθων και φως [. . .]ση[.]
 νη Δια κηελιος τουτον ἴδωσι τ[οκο]ν ζων και [. . .] . ον
 15 λεγομεν τοδε των δε φαιλων
 αλλοτριων οντων κρι'τον [.]φοιτοθελ[. . .]

περ[ι] βρεφους αχρηστου
 ει δε κακοι τοδ[ε] κε]ντρων επικραταιοντες επιμων
 ο μεν ουν δυ[. .]προδομ . ετερος η ο . . [.] . νενσωσι
 20 κακοι παν ναμ[. . .] . αλλο . και μηδεις α[.] . μα
 τοιουτ εισῑ δοια[.] εκβολιμον τε και ω[.] . [. . .] . ον
 γε εστινυ[. . .] . ροφιλου[
 ει δ' ολοοι τ' αγαθοι τε εγτ[

ευπορου [
 25 ζομενου [
 και παλιν Ωρον ομω[
 και παλιν [α]πραγμο[ν
 και ταφιδ[.]νδυ[
 ουτως ως προ[

30 . [
 φαινων ηστ[
 γενεσις επιλ[α[

Col. ii.

[20 letters]φωρ[
 [„ „] αλλ ε[
 35 [] . λλα[
 []ον . [
 [ει] δε μιν Ωρον ομνε[. . .] . σκρ . [
 [σ]τοναχας εν ναιοτητι [.]ει κι . [
 [.]ς ατας τε βαρειας αλλ εψ[. .]ιχαλ . [
 40 πολυτεκνου [
 [. .]ανοι τι τεκνων αριθμον εσ[
 [. .]ς κεντροις ευσυνετοις βλεπ[

δηλουμενος εστιν αριδηλ . . [
 οσσοι υποχθονιω τε κα[ι
 45 νου μαρτυρει ης μετοχ[
 δηλουσι βεβαιογ. [
 ατεκ[νου
 ει [δ] αστρον εσιδον[
 ειδοντες η και πυρ [
 50 σχημα συ τουτο νοε[ι]
 [βρ]εφου[s
 ει δ' ουτως τουτων [. . .]τασα[
 δωσει πλην αβεβαιοταται τοιγαρ τι[
 αφ[ι]κεσθαι εμβρυον εκεκοτει ησε[
 55 φας ιδεν ακηριον εσχ[ε και αντ . [
 εθηκε τοτε
 εχοντος τεκνα [
 ει δ' αστηρ αγαθος μαρτυς φα[ι]ν . [
 [. . .]βλ[. . .]αις αλοχοις η κατ[α]
 60 . [. . .] . κυνων μετοχοις ευδομεν ο[
 . . [. . .] . ζισαρε[ι]ηχ[.] . . . [
 [. . .]μνηετο[

4. A letter may be lost before ομ[but this is unlikely.

5. κυον is probably for Κύων, the dogstar.

12. ζησο[ντος cannot be read; perhaps ζην μ[ελλοντος.

15. φαιλων: φαινω[ν was probably the word intended.

16. The latter part of the line appears to be corrupt. [.]φοι is probably [ε]φω, with the common interchange of οι and υ. τοθελ[is more difficult; the sense requires something like τὸ θανείν, which may be supported by another case of confusion between λ and ν in l. 15.

18. l. επικρατεοντες; cf. Ptolem. *Centil.* p. 216 d, &c. επικρατήτωρ ἀστήρ. ετιμων at the end of the line is quite doubtful, the supposed μ being too cramped. Moreover something is wrong with the beginning of l. 19, which does not scan.

21. The meaning of the horizontal stroke above the final ι of αιοι is obscure. It is unlikely that ν would be represented in this way in the middle of a line.

26. Ωρον: cf. l. 37, where Horus apparently recurs; but the context is equally obscure.

31. φαινων is very likely a *nomen proprium*, i. e. Saturn.

38. ναιοτητι is for νεότητι.

50. νοε[ι]: cf. l. 6.

58. s of μαρτυς has been corrected from ρ.

60. κυνων is perhaps for κοινών; cf. note on l. 16.

465. ASTROLOGICAL CALENDAR.

Height 26.5 cm.

Late second century.

The *recto* of this long but imperfectly preserved papyrus contains a list of persons with their ages, written in second century cursive. On the *verso* is an astrological calendar in an uncial hand which we should also ascribe to the second century rather than to the third. There are parts of nine columns in all, but of these only the first is tolerably complete. We omit the second and ninth, and those parts of the other columns which are too fragmentary to yield any sense.

The scheme of the calendar is as follows. The year is divided into weeks of five days, instead of the more usual seven or ten. Each of these weeks of five days corresponds to the sixth part of one of the signs or constellations of the zodiac. Lines 10-44 refer to Pharmouthi 16-20; the details concerning Pharmouthi 20-25 probably began in Col. ii and were continued in one or more columns which may have been lost between Cols. ii and iii. Lines 60-98 refer to Pharmouthi 26-30, ll. 99-134 to Pachon 1-5. With l. 135 begins the account of Pachon 6-10, as is indicated by the remaining letters Πα[χων 7 ἔως 1; this continues up to l. 196. The account of Pachon 11-15 occupies ll. 197-212 and perhaps Col. viii as well. The same formula is followed in the entries concerning each group of five days. First comes a brief astronomical statement of the relation between the part of the month under consideration and one of the signs or constellations of the zodiac, probably, as Mr. Smyly has suggested (l. 11, note), the constellation which was rising just before dawn during that period. Next we have the name of the presiding deity who is sometimes male, sometimes female, and the interpretation of it, generally introduced by the phrase *μηνύει λέγων οὔτι* (e.g. ll. 13 and 200). This is succeeded by a detailed description of the *τύπος* of the divinity, who is represented as a statue, partly human, partly animal. Then follows an elaborate account of the omens, signs, portents, and favourable and unfavourable influences, characteristic of the period presided over by the deity in question, which is introduced by the words *δηλοῖ οὖν*, and concludes with a statement of the particular form of sickness (*ἀρρώστημα*) peculiar to the period. To this account of the presiding deity is in one place (ll. 159 sqq.) added a description of her son, which proceeds on the same lines as that of the goddess herself, and ends with directions for making medical prescriptions (ll. 190-6; cf. l. 195, note).

The papyrus, which bears distinct marks of its Egyptian origin (cf. the local

references in ll. 25 and 222), presents a striking resemblance to an astrological fragment from Egypt now at Munich, recently published with a commentary by Boll (*Archiv*, I. pp. 492 sqq.). The Munich fragment, which is written on vellum and is several centuries later than the papyrus, also gives a list of deities with an account of the signs, events, and sicknesses associated with them, but is arranged on a somewhat different plan, the deities being connected not with particular groups of days, but with various stars or constellations, which are numbered so as to form a series. Both the Munich and Oxyrhynchus fragments recall in many details the technical phraseology of astrologers which is known from the *Tetrabiblos* of Ptolemy and the fragments of Porphyry; cf. the references given by Boll for the Munich fragment (*Archiv*, I. p. 498) with the parallel passages in the papyrus, which supplies more astrological and less astronomical information. Dr. Boll, to whom we are indebted for several valuable suggestions and references, observing that the god of the 11th-15th degrees of Pisces is the second, not, as might be expected, the third (l. 199), infers that a distinction is drawn in the papyrus between (1) the superior *θεοί* who preside over each ten days, but more especially over the first five, and of whom the first mentioned in each month seems to be described as the god of the month (l. 105), and (2) the inferior divinities called *κραταιοί* (l. 12) or *ηγούμενοι* (l. 20, note) who preside over the 6th-10th, 16th-20th, and 26th-30th days in each month. The superior deities he identifies with the Egyptian decans, whose fantastic names, known from Egyptian inscriptions, Greek and Roman writers, and magical papyri, have a resemblance to those of the divinities mentioned in the papyrus (ll. 13, 160, and 200), especially, as Mr. Smyly has pointed out (l. 200, note), in one instance.

With regard to the *κραταιοί* the only source of information hitherto known was a remark by Porphyry in the letter to Anebo (Euseb. *Præpar. Evang.* iii. 4), referring to Chacremón (who wrote in the time of Nero) *Χαιρήμων μὲν γὰρ καὶ οἱ ἄλλοι οὐδ' ἄλλο τι πρὸ τῶν ὀρωμένων κόσμων ἡγοῦνται, ἐν ἀρχῇς λόγῳ τιθέμενοι τοὺς Αἰγυπτίων οὐδ' ἄλλους θεοὺς πλὴν τῶν πλανητῶν λεγομένων καὶ τῶν συμπληρούντων τὸν ζῳδιακὸν καὶ ὅσοι τούτοις παρανατέλλουσι τὰς τε εἰς τοὺς δεκανοὺς τομὰς καὶ τοὺς ὠροσκόπους καὶ τοὺς λεγομένους κραταιοὺς ἡγεμόνας ὧν καὶ τὰ διόματα ἐν τοῖς Σαλμενιχιακοῖς φέρεται καὶ θεραπείαι παθῶν καὶ ἀνατολαὶ καὶ δύσεις καὶ μελλόντων σημειώσεις.* This description of the *Σαλμενιχιακά*, as Boll remarks, corresponds so clearly with the contents of the papyrus that the latter is to be regarded either as a fragment of the *Σαλμενιχιακά* or as derived from it through an intermediary author. The *Salmenichiaka* (or *Salmeschoinaka*), which according to Iamblichus were μέρος τι βραχύτατον τῶν Ἑρμαϊκῶν διατάξεων, must have been written not later than in the second century B.C., for the astrological treatises

of Nechepso-Petosiris (about 100 B.C. according to Kroll) are based on them. The explanation of the remarkable title Σαλμενιχιακά is a difficult problem; cf. Boll in *Zeitschr. f. Aegypt. Sprache*, xxxix. p. 152, and his *Sphaera*, pp. 376 sqq.

This view of the early date of the Salmenichiaka is confirmed by a study of the papyrus. Though the scanty astronomical details probably afford no indication that the present arrangement of the text is earlier than the end of the second century (cf. l. 11, note), there are other grounds for supposing that it is based on much older material. It is noticeable that there is nowhere any reference to the Romans, or even to any titles or institutions peculiar to the Roman period in Egypt; while the frequent mentions of βασιλείς suggest a Ptolemaic background.

The text contains numerous errors, and the archetype from which the scribe was copying seems to have been in parts illegible or imperfect, for he sometimes leaves blank spaces indicating a lacuna; cf. l. 24, note.

(a)

Col. i.

Parts of 9 lines.

- 10 Φαρμουῦθ[ι] ἀπὸ 15 ἕως κ.
 ὑδροχόω ὃ ἐστὶν μεῖς Φαρμουῦ[θι] ἀπὸ 15
 ἕως κ. ὁ δὲ κραταῖδς αὐτοῦ, ὄνομα αὐ-
 τῷ ἐστὶν Νεβύ, μὲνύει λέγων ὅτι οὐ-
 τός ἐστιν ὁ κύριος[ς] τῶν πολέ[μ]ων καὶ τοῦ
 15 λόγου. ὁ τύπος αὐτοῦ ἀν[δρ]ιὰς ὀρθός,
 τὸ πρόσωπον γυπός, βασ[ίλ]ηον ἔχων
 ἐπὶ τῆς κεφαλῆς, εἰς δὲ τῶπισω πρόσω-
 πον ἔχων ὄφεως, πτέρυγας ἔχων δύο,
 πόδας λέοντος, ἔχοντος μαχαίρας δ, τὰ
 20 πρόσωπα χρυσᾶ. δηλοῖ οὖν ὅτι ὁ ἡγούμενος
 μενμνησειτοπως κακά, ἔσται πόλεμος ἀη-
 δία μάχη καὶ ἔσται πρὸς τοὺς ὄχλους κοινο-
 λογούμενο(ς) ὡς φίλος. ἔσται δὲ ἐπὶ τῆς ἀρ-
 χῆς (αὐ)τοῦ ἀποστάτης, καὶ π[ό]λεμος[ς] ἔ[σ]ται
 25 καὶ ἀπολοῦνται πολλαὶ πόλεις τῆς [Αἰ]γύπτ[ου]
 [καὶ] δ[ι]ὰ τὸν ἀποστάτην, τὰ γὰρ σημε[ῖ]α τοῦ
 [καί]ρ[ου] πολέμο(υ) ἐστὶν καὶ ἀηδίας καὶ [μάχης]

- [. . .]σ[. . .]ων ἀπώλε(ι)α ἔσται. ἐν [δ]ὲ τῷ κ[αίρω]
 τούτῳ πολλοὶ βιώσονται ἀπὸ [τ]οῦ λαγ[. . .],
 30 τινὲς δὲ ζώσονται ἄδοντες καὶ ὀρ[χ]ο[ύμε-
 νοι τινὲς δὲ καὶ ᾧδοι ἐν ἱεροῖς τινὲς δ[ὲ] ἐν
 συμποσίοις ἄδοντες εὐφῶνοι καὶ καλῶ[ς]
 ἀπαλλάσσουσιν. οὗτος ποιεῖ ἀπὸ λόγου τὸν
 νικῶντα νικᾶσθαι καὶ τὸν νικώμενον
 35 νικᾶν καὶ πολλοὶ ζῶσιν λαμβάνοντες ὁ-
 ψώνια καὶ ἀπογραφόμενοι καὶ λογεύον-
 [τες ἀνθρώπους] ἀπέπωκαν, τινὲς δὲ ἀπὸ
 [. . .]η[ς] ζῶσιν θεραπε[ύ]οντε[ς]. οὗτος ποι-
 [εῖ] . . . χῶ[ς] λαίνε[ι]ν διὰ τὸ τὸν ἕνα πρὸς
 40 [.]ον γενέσθ[α]ι. τὸ δὲ ἀρρώστη-
 [μα τοῦ καιροῦ] περὶ τὰ ἔντερα καὶ τὰ σπλάγ-
 [χνα καὶ πολλοὶ] θάνατοι ἔσονται. οὗτος
 [ποιεῖ τὰς] ἀρρωστίας ἀπὸ θεῶν χῶλόν
 44 [καὶ] καὶ πόνον περὶ τὴν
 Parts of 2 lines.

16. 1. βασιλῆιον or βασιλειον. Cf. p. 135.

19. 1. ἔχων.

40. δ of δε corr. from ν.

Col. ii. Parts of 13 lines.

(δ)

Col. iii.

- 60 [ἐστὶν ὁ κ]ύριο(ς) φλογός. ὁ τύπος αὐ[τοῦ]
 [ἀνδ]ριάς ὀρθὸς πρόσωπον ἔχων [. . .]
 [εἰς] δὲ τῶπίσω χοιριδί[ο]ν ἔχων πρ[. . .]
 [. . .] ἔμπροσθεν κατὰ τὸ πρόσωπο[ν] ἔχ[ω]ν
 [μαχ]αίρας ἐν ταῖ(ς) χερσὶν δ καὶ το . . . ιτ .
 65 [. . . ἡ] δὲ γλῶσσα καὶ τὸ πρόσωπον πῦρ.
 [δηλ]οῖ οὖν ὅτι ὁ καιρὸς οὗτος ποιεῖ πολ-
 [λοὺς βί]ον εὐρεῖν διὰ τοῦ στόματος, πολ-
 [λοὶ δὲ] συνήγοροι ἕτεροι δὲ μαγικο[ὶ] πολ-
 [λοὶ δὲ] ᾧδοι θεῶν καὶ βασιλέων κ[α]ὶ πολ-
 70 [λοὶ ἐρμη]νεῖς διαλέκτων καὶ πολ[λ]ο[ὶ] ἐν-

- [. . . με]νοι καὶ τόπον ἐκ τόπου μ[ε]ταβαί-
 [νοντες κ]αὶ πολλὰ κτωμένους ἀπ[.]ν . . s
 [.]δησαι πῶς ἐκτῆτα[.]τ . ϑ[. . .]οι
 [.] ἀποφάγονται πολλοὶ δ[ἐ] καὶ
 75 [.]ντες τὰ ἀλλότρια πολλοὺς πα-
 [. κ]αὶ πολλοὺς μιγνυμένους
 [ταῖς . . .]αῖς ἢ ταῖς μητριαῖς κατα-
 [.] αὐτάς. οὗτο[s] ὁ θεὸς ποιεῖ ἀρχι-
 79 [. ἐ]ν δὲ τῷ [καί]ρῳ τούτῳ π[ο]λλοὶ

Parts of 19 lines.

- 99 [Παχὼν ἀπὸ α ἕως] ε.
 100 [ἰχθύων ὃ ἐστι μεις Παχών, τ]ούτου ἀπὸ α.
 [ἕως ε ὃ ἐστι πρῶτος θεὸς τῶ]ν ἰχθύων
 [22 letters] . το ἐστιν

62. χ of χοιριδιω[υ] corr. from ι.

Col. iv.

- 103 σημα[ιν . . .] τοὺς δὲ βορειοτέρου[s] του-
 του[. . . .] ἀντιδίκους οἰονὶ πολεμί-
 105 οὺς σ[.] ο]ὖν θεὰ τοῦ μηνὸς ἀφθυν
 σιντ[. . . .]ιν ψυχὴ τέχνης, καλεῖται
 δὲ α[.] ὁρασις τοῦ ἡλίου. ὁ τύ-
 πος [αὐτῆς ἀγ]αλμα κυάνου ἀληθινοῦ γυ-
 [ν]ῆ κ[αθημένη] ἑπὶ θρόνου, ὀφθαλμοὺς
 110 ἔχου[σα ἕνα .] πύφως καὶ ἕνα Τυφῶνος,
 τὸ π[ρόσωπον] χρυσοῦν, τὰς χεῖρας πρὸς
 τῷ σ[. . . .] ἐστ]ολισμένη, βασιλίην ἔχου-
 σα τῇ [κεφαλῇ.] δηλοῖ οὖν ὅτι ὁ καιρὸς οὖ-
 115 λους [.] ἀνθρώπους μαρὸς
 ὡς ἰδ[ιωτικο]ὺς τὴν ψυχὴν. οὗτος γὰρ
 ποιεῖ καὶ ἀγρα]μμάτους, ποιεῖ δὲ π[ά]λιν]

- τοὺς [κατειδό]τας τὰ γράμματα λεία[ν]
 δι[ι]αφ[έροντα τ]ῷ γένει ἀπὸ τούτου καὶ
 120 τῶν [ι.]ν, κ[α]ὶ πολλοὶ ἱερογραμμ[α]-
 τεῖς ἔ[s]ονται . .]αστ[ι. .] . τοι καὶ πολλῶν
 ὁ βίω[ς] ἔ[σ]τα[ι. οὗτ]ος ὁ θε[δ]ς ποιεῖ
 Parts of 22 more lines.

Col. v.

- 145 καὶ ἔξω. ἐν [δ]ῇ τῷ καιρῷ τούτῳ οἱ ἄνδρες
 καταφέρου[σ]ι ἐ[ί]ς τὰς γυναῖκες, πολλοῖς
 δὲ τέκνα [ἐπιγ]ίνεται, καὶ εἰς ἄρσης αὐτῷ
 ἐξ αὐτῶν [χρησ]ιμεύσει τὰ δὲ λοιπὰ ἀπο-
 θανεῖται κα[ὶ] ἀρσενικά. οὗτος ποιεῖ ταῖς
 150 δούλαις ἐπι[ι. .]τεσθαι ταῖς ἰδίαις καὶ γεν-
 νῶσιν αὐτοὶ [τ]έκνα καὶ ταῦτα κυριεύσει
 τῶν βίων αὐτῶν (καὶ τῶν) ἐλευθέρων γυ-
 ναικῶν. οὗτος ποιεῖ τὰς γυναῖκες ἀ[τ]όκους
 γίνεσθαι καὶ τεκνοποιεῖσθαι ἕτερα τέ[κ]να
 155 καὶ κυριεύειν αὐτὰ τῶν βίων αὐταῖς. τὸ δὲ
 ἀρρώστημα τὸ ἐν τῷ καιρῷ περὶ τοῦς . . .
 μους καὶ πανσοτα(). οὗτος ποιεῖ ἐ[ι.
 ἀποθνήσκειν.

- ὁ δὲ υἱὸς τῆς θεᾶ[ς] ὄνομα αὐτῷ ἐστίν [ι. . . .
 160 τωρσενση[ι.]ευτωουουωφι. (μηνύει) τοῦτο [λέγον
 αἰνολόγος. ὁ τύπος αὐτοῦ ἀνδ[ρι]ας
 λεοντοπρόσωπος θεοῦ τρίχες σ[κ]ῆπτρον?
 ἔχων ἐν [τ]ῇ ἀρ[ισ]τε[ρᾷ] καὶ 10 letters
 ἐν τῇ δεξ[ιᾷ] πρόσ[ω]πον οὐ- ?
 165 ρὰ κορκοδίλον . . [

Parts of 4 more lines.

.

146. l. γυναῖκας. 148. υ of αυτων corr. 152. γυναικων* Pap. 153. l. γυναῖκας.
 160. Second σ of τωρσενση . . . corr. from τ.

Col. vi

- 170 τα ἐν ὀνό[μ]ατι καὶ ἀπὸ αὐτῶν ἄλλοι ἡγή-
 σονται. ὁ δὲ καιρὸς οὗτος ἀρχιερέων.
 οὗτος ποιεῖ ἱερογραμματεῖς πολ-
 λούς θεῶν καὶ βασιλέων καὶ ἐκάστου τὴν
 πολυχρονίαν. οὗτος ποιεῖ βασιλέα
 175 εἶσθαι πολλὰ καὶ πρὸς τοὺς ποτε ἀν-
 τιδίκους καὶ πρὸς οὖς ἐν αὐτῷ ἐστ[ι]ν
 καὶ βασιλείας βασιλεὺς καὶ τὸ χαρίζεσθαι
 καὶ τὰς πόλεις. οὗτο[ς] ποιεῖ εὐσχημονεῖν
 τοὺς ἀνθρώπους καὶ [σ]τοχάζεσθαι τοῦ καλῶς
 180 ἔχοντος καὶ περὶ τοῦ θεοῦ, οὗτ[ο]ς ποιεῖ τὸν
 βασιλέα παρὰ τῶν ἄλλων βασ[ι]λέων τὰ
 πλείστα χορηγούντων ὥσπ[ε]ρ [ἐ]ν ἄλλωι
 καιρῷ ἐ[ί]ρηται τοὺς δ[ι]δ[ο]ν[.] . . . [.] μᾶλλον
 στερρον ποιεῖ . . . [.] αἱ ἐν πολ-
 185 λοῖς σημαίνει [.] . . ο[.]]ον χα-
 Parts of 4 more lines.

177. κ of first καὶ corr. from β.

Col. vii.

- 190 ὡς καὶ κριθὴν χωρ[ι]ς καὶ τ[
 θηναι [[ὁμοίως καὶ κριθήν]]
 τὸν χυλὸν ἐκπίεσον εὐμ[
 ἐφ' ἡμέρας δ ἄλλο ἀποπ[
 ὃ ἐστιν ὑποστάθμη καὶ [
 195 ὡς ἄλευρον καὶ μέλι δο[
 δ· καλὰ ἐστιν λίαν.
 Παχὼν ἀπὸ ια ἕως [ι]ε.
 ἰχθύων ὃ ἐστιν <μεῖς> Παχὼν ἀπὸ ια ἕως ιε ὃ [ἐ-
 στιν δεύτερος θε[ὸ]ς τῶν ἰχθύων. ὄνομα [α]ύ-

- 200 τῷ ἐστιν Τετ[. . .]υσα[.]ε[.]η, μὴνύει[ι] λέ[γ]ων
 οὗτος ἥλιος ἐ[πει]δ[ὲ] ἄν[α]τέταλκεν. ὁ τῷ π[ρ]ος
 αὐτοῦ ὄφει ο[.] χ[ρ]υσοῦς καὶ χελώνη
 γυναικ[ι]ο[π]ρ[ό]σωπος τρίχ[α]ς ἔχουσα ἀνθρώπου.
 δηλοῖ [οὖν ὅτι] ὁ ἐν τῷ καιρῷ [πο]ιή-
 205 σει τησ[.] κ[αὶ] τῇ πατρίδι π[ο]λλὰ
 ἀγαθὰ κ[αὶ] τοῦ πατρὸς [. . . .]γ

Parts of 6 more lines.

191. ὁμοίως κ.τ.λ. enclosed in round brackets. οἱ of ὁμοίως corr. from ω.

Col. viii.

8 lines lost.

- 221 καὶ [.] . . [.] τ[α]ρτ[
 σου]σιν ἐν Ἑρμου πόλει τῇ μεγάλῃ. οἷτος ὁ
 θεὸς ποιεῖ γῆρας πολὺ ἕως κ[αμ]φθῇ τῷ γήραι,
 οὗτος ποιεῖ κυρτοὺς ἢ καὶ ἀπὸ ἀρρωστήματος
 225 καμφθῆναι, οὗτος ποιεῖ νάνους τίκτεσθαι,
 οὗτος τέρατα ὁμοιοειδῇ κανθάρωι, οὗτος
 μὴ ἔχοντα ὀφθαλμούς, οὗτος ὅμοια κτήνι,
 οὗτος μογιλάλα, οὗτος κωφά, οὗτος νωδά,
 οὗτ[ος] ποιεῖ τὰ [π]άθη τοῖς ἀνδράσιν πνυγίζε-
 230 σ[θαι] κρυβῇ καὶ [π]άλιν κιναίδους φανεροῦς

Parts of 8 lines.

Col. ix.

Parts of 12 lines.

11. ὑδροχόω: 1. ὑδροχόου, cf. l. 198 ἰχθύων. 'From Pharmouthi 16-20. From 16th-20th of Aquarius, which (sc. ζῳδιον) is the month Pharmouthi.' The interpretation of the astronomical data in the papyrus turns upon the question whether by ὑδροχόου, ἰχθύων κ.τ.λ. the signs or the constellations of the zodiac are meant¹. We are indebted to Mr. J. G. Smyly

¹ For those who are unfamiliar with ancient astronomy we quote Mr. Smyly's explanation of the difference between the signs and constellations of the zodiac. 'The constellations of the zodiac are twelve in number, represented by somewhat arbitrary figures of men and animals, of unknown antiquity; they are irregular in size and position, and some consider that in Egypt they were connected with the equator rather than with the ecliptic. The signs of the zodiac, on the other hand, are exactly equal in size, each con-

for the following valuable note upon the passage. His explanation of the relation of the zodiac to the Egyptian year is not only new but serves to clear away many difficulties and apparent inconsistencies arising from the various references to it. 'It is clear from l. 100 that Pisces began with Pachon 1; thus the compiler of the calendar identified the months of the Egyptian year with the signs or with the constellations of the zodiac: Thoth = Cancer, Phaophi = Leo, Athur = Virgo, Choiak = Libra, Tubi = Scorpio, Mecheir = Sagittarius, Phamenoth = Capricorn, Pharmouthi = Aquarius, Pachon = Pisces, Pauni = Aries, Epeiph = Taurus, Mesore = Gemini. At first sight this would seem to indicate a tropical solar year beginning with the summer solstice on Thoth 1, the months being determined by the signs of the zodiac through which the sun was passing. There is, however, very little evidence for an Egyptian year which began at the summer solstice and much for one beginning at the heliacal rising of Sirius, and in the second century these dates differed by nearly a month, the solstice taking place on June 24 (Julian) and the rising of Sirius on July 20 (Julian). It is therefore much more probable that the year in question was a sidereal year regulated by the heliacal rising of Sirius (cf. the circumstance that in all the lists Sothis was the first decan of Cancer), and that the month in relation to the zodiac was determined not by the sign through which the sun was passing, but by the constellation which was the last to rise before dawn. The decans would thus be *ώροσκοπούντες* at the birth of the days over which they presided, and this suggestion is confirmed by the fact that in P. Brit. Mus. 98. 15 the decans are called *οἱ λαμπροὶ ἄς ώροσκόποι*. If the calendar refers to a year of this kind the five intercalary days must have been taken into account, as well as a sixth intercalary day every fourth year; but these days were always regarded by the Egyptians as outside the year, and did not interfere with the convenient but inaccurate practice of dividing the ecliptic into 360 degrees, each of which corresponded to one day. Moreover the difficulty is considerably diminished if, as is probable, the decans are regarded not as fractions of the circle of the ecliptic, but as stars or groups of stars rising just before dawn. In this calendar the intercalary days would not have been under the presidency of any of the thirty-six decans or their *κραταιοί*, but each of them would have been dedicated to one of the five great gods of the Osirian circle, Osiris, Aroueris, Typhon, Isis and Nephthys, who were said to have been born on those days. It has long been a matter of dispute whether this year, supposing it to have existed, was divided into months bearing the same names as the months of the ordinary *annus vagus*. The papyrus seems to indicate that this was the case; but its late date prevents the evidence from being conclusive, for it may well have been drawn up by someone who was acquainted with the two traditions that the Egyptian year began with Cancer and also that it began with Thoth 1, and who combined his information by identifying the two years.

It is just possible to explain the papyrus from the usual point of view that the month is determined by the sign of the zodiac through which the sun was passing, but this involves very great difficulties. In the *Pseudo-Gemini Calendarium* (Wachsmuth's ed. of Lydus, p. 183) we find *τὸν δὲ ὑδροχόον διαπορεύεται ὁ ἥλιος ἐν ἡμέραις λ*. These thirty days correspond to Jan. 23-Feb. 21 on the Julian calendar, and since Pharmouthi 16-20 on the same

taining 30 degrees of the ecliptic; they are measured from the spring equinox, which is determined by the intersection of the equator and the ecliptic. The position of this point among the stars is not fixed, but slips slowly backward along the ecliptic; this is the precession of the equinoxes. With a most unfortunate lack of imagination astronomers since the time of Ptolemy have called these divisions by the same names as the constellations, which often gives rise to great confusion unless we know definitely which is referred to. Thus at present the vernal equinoctial point, though retaining the name "First point of Aries," is not in the constellation of Aries, but owing to the precession has shifted about 30° into the constellation Pisces. The constellations of the zodiac however (apart from variations in size) very nearly coincided with the signs in the second century of our era.'

calendar correspond to April 11-15 the sun cannot have been in Aquarius during those five days if the papyrus was drawn up according to the Alexandrian (i. e. Julian) calendar. But especially in astrological calculations in papyri of the Roman period the calendar *κατὰ τοὺς ἀρχαίους* is frequently found (cf. P. Oxy. II. p. 138), and if we suppose that that reckoning was employed by the writer of this papyrus, we find that the sun was in Aquarius during Pharmouthi 16-20 from A. D. 196-291. Similarly with regard to the corresponding entry concerning Pachon 11-15 (l. 198), the sun would on the calendar *κατὰ τοὺς ἀρχαίους* be in Pisces during those five days from A. D. 168-268. These dates are only approximate because the time at which the sun enters the signs of the zodiac varies (in the Julian calendar) from century to century.'

12-42. 'The presiding deity of that season, his name is Nebu, of which the interpretation is that he is the lord of wars and of reason. He is represented by an upright statue with the face of a vulture, wearing a diadem upon his head, and with the face of a serpent behind, having two wings and the feet of a lion and holding four swords, both faces being of gold. He signifies that the governor will . . . evils; there shall be war, dislike and battle, and he will take counsel with the people as a friend. And during his rule there shall be a rebel and there shall be war, and many cities of Egypt will perish on account of the rebel, for the signs of the time are of war and dislike and battle, and there shall be destruction (of many?). In this time many shall live by stealth (?), and some shall live by singing and dancing, and some by chanting in the temples, and some by singing at banquets with sweet voices and they end well. This deity causes by reason the conqueror to be conquered and the conquered to conquer, and many live by receiving gratuities and registering and collecting from men what they have drunk up, and some live by . . . as servants. He causes men to be lame because one foot . . . The sickness in this season is in the intestines and bowels, and there shall be many deaths.'

16. βασιλῆον: cf. the description of the 35th decan quoted in l. 200, note. For the Ionic (?) form cf. l. 11 *μεῖς* and l. 30 *ζώσονται*.

20. ὁ ἡγούμενος: Boll refers this to the presiding deity; cf. the κραταὶ ἡγεμόνες in the passage from Porphyry quoted in introd. But ὁ ἡγούμενος seems to be the subject of ἔσται . . . κοινολογούμενο(ς) in l. 22, and though the corruption in l. 21 renders the whole passage uncertain, an earthly ruler seems to suit the context better.

24. (αὐ)τοῦ: before του is a blank space indicating a lacuna in the archetype or some letters which the scribe could not read. Similar omissions occur in ll. 152, 160, 161, 174, 175, 176, 183, 184, and 198.

28. Perhaps (καὶ π[ο]λλῶν. In the next line there is not room for λαλ[ε]ῖν, but it may have been abbreviated. The reading λαλ[ε] is however very uncertain; and we should rather expect a verb referring to singing or dancing.

35-7. The meaning seems to be that men will be forced by tax-collectors to disgorge what they had already spent.

60-72. 'He is represented by an upright statue with the face of a . . . , and of a young pig behind, having a . . . before upon his face, and holding four swords in his hands and . . . His tongue and face are fire. He signifies that this season causes many to make their living by the mouth. And many shall be advocates and others magicians and many singers of gods and kings and many interpreters of languages and many . . . and changing from place to place.'

60. [μηνύει λέγων ὅτι οὗτός] is to be restored before [έστιν on the analogy of ll. 13-4.

77-8. καταφθείρειν?

100-1. The lacunae are restored on the analogy of l. 198-9.

105. αφθύν is perhaps the name, or the beginning of the name, of the goddess, and, if μηνός (Σ)αφθύν be read, may be connected with Σασφί, the name of the 35th decan in the MS. of Hermes Trismegistus quoted in the note on l. 200.

107-20. 'She is represented by an image in real lapis lazuli of a woman seated upon a throne having one eye like that of . . . and one like that of Typhon, her face being of gold and her hands adorned (?) . . . , having a diadem upon her head. She signifies that this time causes hidden writings to . . . many foolish men, being unskilful in mind. For this season also produces men ignorant of writing, and again those who know writing very different in character from this kind and from the hieratic (?) writings.'

110. τυφως: possibly the genitive of Τυφός or Τυφωεύς was intended.

112. Perhaps στήθε(ε)ι, έστρωλισμένη then meaning 'folded.'

120. Boll suggests έερατικῶν.

145-65. 'In this season men fall upon women, and many children are born, and there shall be one male child of them which shall be of service to him, but the rest shall die, even the male children. This season causes men to have intercourse with their own female slaves, and they beget children, and these shall rule the lives of their fathers and of the free women. This god causes women to be childless and other children to be begotten and these to rule their lives. The sickness in this season is in the shoulders (?) and . . . The son of the goddess, his name is . . . torsense . eutoououphi, which means terrible speaker. He is represented by a statue with a lion's face, the hair of a god, holding a sceptre in his left hand, and in his right . . . , with the tail of a crocodile.'

146. There is not room for καταφέρων[ντα].

147. αὐτῷ, if it is not superfluous or a mistake for αὐτοῖς, sc. τοῖς ἀνδράσι, seems to refer to the presiding deity.

154. ἑτέρα: i. e. born of other mothers; cf. Eur. *Medea* 639 *ἐτέροις ἐπὶ λέκτροις*. The contrast is between the fruitfulness of the slaves and the barrenness of the free women.

156. Probably τοῖς ὤμοις or τοῖς ὀφθαλμοῖς. πανσοτα() in l. 157 is corrupt.

164. οὐρὰ κορκοδῖλου: cf. Boll, *Sphaera*, p. 295.

171-83. 'This is the favourable time for chief-priests. It produces many sacred scribes of gods and kings and gives long life to each. It causes a king to bestow many favours even upon his former adversaries and upon . . . , and cities also to bestow favours; it makes men behave well and aim at virtue especially with regard to the god. It causes the king . . . from the other kings who give him great support, as has been said in connexion with another season . . . '

This section is obscured by the frequent omissions of words or letters. εσθαι in l. 175 may be (χαρίζεσθαι (cf. l. 177), though τοῖς would then be expected rather than πρὸς τοῖς.

180. τοῦ θεοῦ: θεοῦ is more probably general than the particular deity presiding over this period.

195. ως is the termination of ὁμοίως: cf. l. 191. For the insertion of these medical recipes in ll. 190-6 cf. the descriptions of the decans quoted in note on l. 200.

195-6. Probably δὲ ἐφ' ἡμέρας | δ.

198. Cf. note on l. 24. A blank space is left between ἐστίν and Παχών.

200. Τετ[. . .]σα[. . .]η: Mr. Smyly suggests Τετ[ιμα]σα[. . .]η, comparing the descriptions of the decans in the sign Pisces as given in a MS. of Hermes Trismegistus *De Mensibus ad Asclepium* (Pitra, *Analecta sacra et classica*, v. 2. 279), a passage which corresponds in a remarkable degree with the descriptions of the decans in Pisces found in the papyrus:—

τέταρτος καὶ τριακοστὸς δεκανὸς ἰχθύων πρῶτος. οὗτος ὄνομα ἔχει Τετιμᾶ καὶ ἐστὶν ἄνθρωπος ἐστὼλισμένος ὅλος ἰμάτιον κυανέον, ἔχει δὲ καὶ χοῖρον δοράν, περιζωσμένος ἀπὸ τῶν μαστῶν ἕως τῶν ἀστραγάλων, ἔχων δὲ ἐν τῇ δεξιᾷ χειρὶ ὑδρίσκην, τὴν δὲ εὐώνυμον ἔχων κεχλασμένην παρὰ τὸν μηρόν. κυριεύει δὲ τῶν ποδῶν οἷς καὶ ἐμπίπτει ἀποστήμματα. γλῦψον οὖν τοῦτον ἐν λίθῳ βηρύλλῳ καὶ ἱποθεῖς βοτάνην περιστερεῶνα κατακλείδον ἐν ᾧ βούλει καὶ φέροι.

πέμπτος καὶ τριακοστὸς δεκανός. οὗτος ὄνομα ἔχει Σοαπφί μορφὴν δὲ ἀνθρώπου. ἔστι δὲ γυμνὸς περιβύλαιον μέντοι ἔχων ὡς ἀπὸ τῶν ὤμων ἐς τὰ ὀπίσω καὶ ἐν μὲν τῇ δεξιᾷ χειρὶ ἔχων ὑδρίσκην, ἐν δὲ τῇ ἀριστερᾷ προσφέρων τὸν λιχανὸν δάκτυλον ὡς ἐπὶ τὸ στόμα καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς κεφαλῆς ἔχων βασίλειον. γλῦψον οὖν κ.τ.λ.

ἕκτος καὶ τριακοστὸς δεκανός. οὗτος ὄνομα ἔχει Συρώ, ἔστι ἀφανὴς καλούμενος δράκων σπειροειδής, πάγωνα ἔχων ἐπὶ δὲ τῆς κεφαλῆς βασίλειον. γλῦψον οὖν κ.τ.λ.

The name of the second decan in Pisces according to the papyrus is very likely connected with the name of the first decan according to Hermes, while the description bears great resemblance to that of the third. Similarly the name of the first decan of the papyrus ((Σ)αφθύν?; cf. note on l. 105) may well be connected with Σοαφί, the second in Hermes' list.

222-9. 'This deity causes long old age, until a man be bent by old age; he produces hunchbacks or makes men bent by sickness, he causes dwarfs to be born and monstrosities shaped like a beetle, and persons with no eyes and like a beast and dumb and deaf and toothless . . .'

466. DIRECTIONS FOR WRESTLING.

13.5 × 18.3 cm.

Second century.

This papyrus consists of a series of short sections giving directions for performing certain bodily gestures, and in each case ending with the verb πλέξοι. As Mr. Smyly suggests, the purpose of these directions no doubt relates to the different grips in wrestling. That instructions in the palaestra were given in this way is shown by two curious passages, Lucian, *Asinus* 9-10 (pp. 576-8) and Anth. Pal. xii. 206. αὐτός in ll. 25 and 30-1 means 'your opponent,' and ἀντὶ in l. 19 probably refers to the hand.

The papyrus, which we should ascribe to the second century, is written in a good-sized uncial hand with a tendency to link the letters together by short horizontal strokes. Parts of three columns are preserved, of which we print the first two, keeping the punctuation of the original.

Col. i.

]ασας· σὺ παρανα-
] πρόβαλε καὶ πλέ-
 ξον]
 τῇ]ν δεξιὰν σὺ κα-
 5] σὺ ρεῖψον· σὺ ἀνει-
 μ]εταβαλοῦ· σὺ πλέ-
 ξον]
 ρ]εῖψον· σὺ ἐκσυ-
]· σον τὸν πόδα
 10] τὴν χεῖρα· σὺ
 σ]ὺ μεταδιεράσας
 πλέξον]
]· αἰ ἄρας μετὰθες
] τὸν εὐώνυμον
 15 ἐ]κ γενείου ἐμ-
]τα τοῦ ἐτέρου

17. μ of μεσον corr. from π.

30. ὁ μεταβα|λοῦ; cf. ll. 6 and 26.

Col. ii.

παράθες τὸ μέσον καὶ ἐκ κε-
 φαλῆς τῇ δεξιᾷ πλέξον
 σὺ περίθες· σὺ ὑπ' αὐτὴν ὑπό-
 20 λαβε· σὺ διαβὰς πλέξον
 σὺ ὑπόβαλε τὴν δεξιάν[· σ]ὺ
 εἰς ὃ ὑποβάλλει περι[θει]ς
 κατὰ πλευροῦ τὸν εὐ[ώ]γνυ-
 μον βάλε· σὺ ἀπόβαλε τῇ εὐ-
 25 ωνύμῳ· σὺ αὐτὸν μεταβὰς
 πλέξον· σὺ μεταβαλοῦ· σὺ κα-
 τὰ τῶν δύο πλέξον
 σὺ βάλε πόδα· σὺ διάλαβ[ε]· σὺ ἐ-
 πιβὰς ἀνάκλα· σὺ προστ[ὰς]
 30 ἀνάνευε καὶ εἰς αὐτ[ὸν] . . .
 λου καὶ αὐτὸν ἀντιβλ[η] . . .

19. ὑπολαβε Pap.

22. ὁ ὑποβάλλει Pap.

467. ALCHEMISTIC FRAGMENT.

12.3 x 8.1 cm.

About A. D. 100.

The subject of this fragment is some process in which silver seems to have been the principal element, but the treatment described is obscure. The text is in a round uncial hand of the end of the first or early part of the second century, and the fragment comes no doubt from some treatise of a scientific or pseudo-scientific character.

σ] ίουσιν. ἔστι δὲ ὁ-
 [μ]οῖος τῇ γινομέ-

[. . .]ντου μέρη β πρὸς
 [τὸ] πρότερον μέτρον

- [ν]ηι τοῖς σεληναίοις
 [.]. ηραι τοῦτον ε. [.].
 5 [.].ας ὥστε γενέσθαι
 [κ]οτύλην σμῆξον
 [σ]τυπτηρίαν ἦν οἱ
 [βα]φεῖς χρῶνται κο-
 [τύ]λης (ἡμισυ) μετρῶν
 10 [.].ς κοτ(ύ)λης δ' ἡ τρίψας
 [καὶ] μίξας πάλιν μισ-
 [. . .] ἔψε ἐν αὐτῶι
 15 [τὸ ἀρ]γύριον ἕως
 [. . .]ουζ χρῶμα σχῆι
 [. . .] ν καθαράι μο-
 [. . .] μέρος α αση
 [. . .]οισε. ἐμβα-
 20 [λ . . .]μ . [. . .]ς καμῖ
 [ν] . [. . .

1. ἐσθίουσιν?

4. Perhaps [ἀ]θήραι, but the context is difficult.

9. μετρῶν or μέτρων? but there seems to be no reason for the genitive plural.

11. μίσ[γε το]ύτου (with [καὶ] ἔψε in l. 14) or μίσ[χον α]υτοῦ? μίσιν is precluded by the division of the word after σ.

16.]ous: the s, if it be s, was added later. [χρυσ]οῦ might have been expected.

468. MEDICAL FRAGMENT.

9.6 x 8.7 cm.

Early third century.

This fragment contains the upper part of a column of a medical treatise, written in a well-formed square uncial hand of medium size, probably in the first half of the third century. The subject under discussion is *δυσουρία*, the symptoms and treatment of which are also described in various passages of the ancient writers on medicine.

λα[.]ν οὕτως οἱ παῖδες δυσου-
 ροῦσιν οὐ μόνον ἐπειδὴ
 στενὰ τὰ ἀγγεῖα ἀλλὰ καὶ
 ἐπειδὴ ἄνθρωπος τῇ
 5 πρώτῃ τῶν ἡμερῶν
 θερμότατος τῇ πλε[λ]ισ[τη]
 θερμασίᾳ φρυγομένων
 καὶ ξηραινομένων [τῶν
 ὑγρῶν. ὁ δὲ τεθλασσω[μέ]-
 10 νος εἰς μὲν κοιλίας ὑπ[ο]-

φορὰν χρησιμώτερος εἶς
 [δὲ] οὔρησιν ἄθετος ἔστα[ι
 [.]υ]γραίνω[ν
 [.]πως [

1. Cf. Galen, *περὶ Εὐπορίστων* iii (Kühn, *Med. Gr.* xiv. p. 571) τοῦτο δὲ καὶ παιδίοις μὴ δυναμένοις οὔρησαι ποιεῖ. The word *δυσουρεῖν* is found in Aretaeus, *Χρον. Παθ.* ii (Kühn, *Med. Gr.* xxiv. p. 141); *δυσουριᾶν* is the commoner form.

9-10. Cf. Athen. i. 32 d οἱ δ' ἐπιμελέστερον τεθαλαττωμένοι οἶνοι ἀκραίπαλοί τέ εἰσιν καὶ κοιλίας λύουσιν.

469. GRAMMATICAL RULES.

8.5 x 10.5 cm.

Early third century.

This papyrus, which contained on the *recto* official correspondence (in which the form *ναυβίας* occurs) written in a fine almost uncial hand of the second century, had been cut down so as to form a long narrow strip before the *verso* was used for writing a series of grammatical rules in several columns. Of these one column is completely preserved, and there are the beginnings of lines of the next, written in an irregular semi-uncial hand of the third century. The rules, which are of an elementary character, deal, so far as the fragment goes, with the conjugation of the contracted (or, as they are called, 'perispome') verbs.

τοῦ προσώπου διὰ τῆς αἰ δι-
 φθόγγου, προσγραφομένου
 δὲ τοῦ ι μὴ συνεκφωνομέ-
 νου δέ, οἶον γελῶ γελᾷς γε-
 5 λᾷ. οἱ μέντοιγε Αἰολεῖς προσ-
 φωνοῦσι γελεες καὶ βοες λέγον-
 τες. κατὰ δὲ τὸν παρατατικὸν
 κατὰ μὲν τὸ πρῶτον πρόσωπον
 διὰ τοῦ ων ἐκφέρεται ἐπὶ δευ-
 10 τέρου καὶ τρίτ[ο]ν προσώπου διὰ
 τοῦ α, οἶον ἐγέλων ἐγέλας ἐγέλα.

ἢ δὲ τρίτῃ τῶν περισπωμένῳ[ν]
 [ῥ]ημάτων συζυγία ἐκφέρεται κα-
 τὰ τὸν ἐνεστῶτα χρ[ό]νον ἐπὶ δευ-
 15 τέρου καὶ τρίτου προσώπου διὰ
 τῆς οἱ διφθόγγου, οἶον χρυσῶ

1. Over αι is a horizontal stroke ; so l. 3 ι, &c.
 6. 1. γέλαις καὶ βόαις. 8. κατα over an erasure.
 13. α of κα corr.

1-2. διφθογ'ου Pap. ; so in l. 16.
 11. ελ of ἐγελαις corr. from γ.

‘(The second conjugation of circumflex verbs in the present tense forms the second and third) person by the diphthong αι, the ι being ascribed but not pronounced together (with the α), as γελῶ γελᾷς γελᾷ. The Aeolians however pronounce it γέλαις and βόαις. In the imperfect the first person is formed by ων and the second and third by α, as ἐγέλων ἐγέλαις ἐγέλα.

The third conjugation of circumflex verbs in the present tense forms the second and third person by the diphthong οἱ, as χρυσῶ (χρυσοῖς χρυσοῖ).’

5-6. Cf. Joannes Gr. (Meister, *Griech. Dial.* i. p. 176) τῆς δευτέρας συζυγίας τῶν περισπωμένων τὸ ι ἐπὶ δευτέρου καὶ τρίτου προσώπου ἀνεκφώνητον ὅν πυρὶ ταῖς ἄλλαις διαλέκτοις ἐκφωνεῖται οἶον βόαις βόαι γέλαις γέλαι νίκαις νίκαι.

470. MATHEMATICAL TREATISE.

16.7 x 19 cm.

Third century.

A leaf, of which the top is lost, from a papyrus book written in double columns on a page, and containing apparently descriptions of astronomical instruments. The writing is a medium-sized semi-uncial of the third century. The high stop is found, and a comma-shaped sign is used occasionally for filling up short lines. For the interpretation of this papyrus we are indebted to Mr. J. G. Smyly.

Lines 1-31 are the end of a description of a πεσσεντήριον, of which instrument Eustathius (*ad Od.* p. 1397) says καὶ ὅτι Πλάτων τὴν τῶν πεσσῶν εὕρεσιν Αἰγυπτίοις ἀνατίθησιν ἐν Φαιδρῳ λέγων αὐτοὺς πρῶτον ἀριθμὸν εὑρεῖν καὶ γεωμετρίαν καὶ ἀστρονομίαν ἔτι δὲ πεττερίαν τε καὶ κυβείαν καὶ δὴ γράμματα· καὶ ὅτι οἱ τοῦ Πλάτωνος ὑπομηγματισμοὶ οὐ τὴν παρ’ Ἑλληνσι πεττερίαν σημανθῆναι φασὶ ὑπὸ Πλάτωνος ἀλλὰ τὴν τοῦ λεγομένου πεττεντηρίου. καταγράφεσθαι γάρ τι πλινθίων ὥσπερ ἐν τῇ πεττεντικῇ παιδιᾷ δι’ οὗ τὰ κινήματα τοῦ ἡλίου καὶ τῆς σελήνης ἔτι δὲ καὶ τὰ ἑλλειπτικά πραγματεύονται οἱ Αἰγύπτιοι. The details are rather obscure ; and the difficulties of the technical phraseology

lost between ll. 46 and 47 probably contained a statement that if a series of horizontal lines were drawn across the original figure at distances of 1 δάκτυλος from each other, there would be 19 such lines and 18 figures of the same kind as the original (since the height of the figure is 18 δάκτυλοι). The lengths of the lines will form an arithmetical progression, each line being $\frac{2}{3}$ δάκτυλος shorter than the preceding, i.e. they diminish κατὰ δέμοιρον (l. 48). These quadrilateral figures are all subjected to the same process as the original, but the writer displays considerable ingenuity in varying his expressions. Probably the vessel was filled with water, and time was calculated by the nearly uniform descent of the surface caused by the water running through a small hole in the centre of the base.

	<i>Recto.</i>	
Col. i.		Col. ii.
<p> φωτὸς [μεταθο[σων ἀπὸ τ[ὼν . .] χωρ[ῶν ὧν ζ' μέν εἰσιν μέλανε[ς 5 ξ'δ λευκοὶ καὶ πάντες κυ- </p>	<p> 25 </p>	<p> [11 letters]ριθ[. . κα- θάπερ γάρ σοι ου . [. . . βίβλος λέγει ε . . . [. πε- ρὶ τῆς Φερνούφωος [. . . . διόπερ καὶ τὴν εϛ[. . . </p>

νὸς προσηγορίαν ἔχουσιν,
 οὕτως, ιε ις ιζ ιη ιθ κ κα
 κβ κγ κδ κε κς κζ κη
 κθ λ, γείνονται τξ, ἰς
 10 τὴν λεγομένην ἐν τῷ
 πεσσευτηρίῳ Φορώρ,
 ἔστιν Ὁρου οἶκος, ἰς συμ-
 πλήρωσιν λ χωρῶν
 [ίς τὸν ἀριθμὸν τῶν ἡ-
 15 μερῶν τῆς συνόδου.
 ταύτην δὲ τὴν χώραν
 οὐ μεταφέρουσιν ψῆφον
 ἐπειδὴ καὶ ἐν τῇ συνοδικῇ
 ἡμέρᾳ ἀφώτιστός ἐσ-
 20 τιν ἡ σελήνη. ἀφ' ὧν ἀρι-
 θμῶν ἐὰν ἀφελῶμαι

τῇ Φερνούφι θεᾶν [. . .
 μεγίστην λέγουσιν ἀ-
 πὸ τῆς μεγάλης περ[. . .
 30 ας τὴν προσηγορίαν ἔχ[ον-
 τες. τὸν δὲ τῶν ὠ-
 ρολογίων ἀριθμὸν τῆς [κα-
 τασκευῆς οὕτως ἀ[πο-
 διδᾶσιν, τὸ μὲν ἄνω [
 35 ὀλμίσκου δακτύλων [κδ
 ποιοῦντες, τὸν δὲ πυθμέν[α
 ιβ δακτύλων, τὸ βάθος δ[α-
 κτύλων ιη. ἐὰν προ[σθῶ-
 μεν τοὺς κδ δακ[τύλους
 40 τοῖς ιβ τ[οῦ πυ]θμ[ένος
 ἔσονται[ι δάκτυλοι λς,
 ὧν τὸ (ἡμισυ) ιη, ἐπὶ γ γείνον-
 ται διὰ τὴν περιφερίαν
 νδ, τούτων τὸ τρίτον ιη,
 45 τὸ δ' ιγ (ἡμισυ). ποιεῖ τη ἐπὶ η
 γέινεται ρμγ, ποιεῖ οὕτως Σδ.

11. φορῶρ Pap.

17. σ of μεταφέρουσιν corr. from ρ.

43. π of περιφερίαν corr.

Verso.

Col. i.

[. . .]β ἐπ[ι[. . .]ι[. . . .
 [. . .]η κ[α]τὰ δίμοιρον. γεί-
 [νε]ται οὖν πρώτη γραμ-
 50 [μῆ .] . [. . .] κδ, δι[α]π[λασιασ]-
 [θέν]τος τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ γεί-
 [νε]ται μη, ὧν ἄφελε τὸ
 [β', λο]ιπαὶ μζγ', τούτων
 [τὸ] (ἡμισυ) {κ' } κ(γ)β', ἐπὶ τὸ τρίτον
 55 [γείν]εται ὅα, τὸ δὲ γ' κγ

Col. ii.

[ἐπὶ γ γείνε]ται ξε, τὸ [γ'
 70 [καβ'], τὸ δ' ις]δ', {ταισβ}
 ἐπὶ καβ', γίνεταί εἰβ',
 ὧν ἄφελε μίαν, λοιπαὶ
 δίβ'. ε καγ', δίπλωσον
 μμβ', ἄφελε β', λοιπαὶ μβ,
 75 τὸ ἡμισυ κα, ἐπὶ γ γεί-
 νεται ξγ, τὸ γ' κα, τὸ
 τέταρτον ιεβ'ίβ', ἐπὶ

- [δεύ]τερον, τὸ δὲ δ' ἰς δεύ-
 [τερ]ον ἰβ', γέινεται τιβ'.
 [ἡ δ]ὲ δευτέρα χώρα ἐστὶ
 [δ]ακτύλων κγγ' καὶ δι-
 60 [πλα]σι[α]σ[θ]έντος γέινε-
 [ται μ]ιβ', ἄφελε τὸ β'
 [τῆς] συ[σ]τολῆς, λοιπαὶ μς,
 [τδ] (ἡμισυ) κ[γ], ἐπὶ γ' ξθ, ὦν τὸ
 [γ' κ]γ, τῖδ δὲ δ' ἰξδ', ἐπὶ ιγ
 65 [γέ]νε[ται] τις (ἡμισυ) ἰέ, ἐξ ὦν
 [ἀφ]ε[λ]ε τὸ ἰ'ς, λοιπαὶ τς (ἡμισυ).
 ἐν τῇ τρίτῃ γραμ-
 μ[ῇ] ἐ[ξ]ῖς[ι]ν δάκτυλοι κιβ'
- μα γέινεται τοβ'ἰβ', ἄ-
 φελε αβ' λοιπαὶ τξβ'.
 80 ς κβ', μδ' ἀφαιρεθέν-
 τος τοῦ διμοίρου, τὸ (ἡμισυ)
 κγ', ἐπ[ὶ] γ ξα, τὸ γ' {ἐπ[ὶ]}
 κγ', τὸ δ' ιεδ', ἐπὶ κγ'
 τίβ', ἄφελε β (ἡμισυ), λοιπαὶ
 85 τδ (ἡμισυ) ἰβ'. ξ ἀριθμὸς κδ
 ις μ, ἀφαίρει β', λοιπαὶ
 λθγ', ὦν τὸ ἡμισυ ιεβ'.

3-5. The numbers are very unintelligible as they stand. If ξ be read for ζ in l. 4 and ξ δέ for ξδ in l. 5, there may be some reference to the sixty dark nights and the sixty bright days in the space of two months. Cf. the *αἵνγμα* of Cleobulus (Diog. Laert. i. 90), *φέρεται δ' αὐτοῦ ἐν τοῖς Παμφίλῃς ὑπομήμασι καὶ αἵνγμα τοῖον*

Εἰς ὁ πατήρ, παῖδες δυοκαίδεκα, τῶν δὲ ἐκάστη
 παῖδες δις τριάκοντα διάνδιχα εἶδος ἔχουσαι
 αἱ μὲν λευκαὶ ἔασιν ἰδεῖν, αἱ δ' αὖτε μέλαινα
 ἀθάνατοι δέ τ' εἶναι ἀποφθινύθουσιν ἅπασαι.

ἔστι δὲ ὁ ἐνιαυτός.

5. *κυνὸς προσηγορίαν*: there seems to have been a series of summations of consecutive numbers, of which a specimen is given in the following lines:—15 + 16 + 17 + etc. + 30 = 360. In the Codex Cizensis of Nicomachus Gerasenus is a series of *προβλήματα ἀριθμητικά* of which the first is headed *τοῦ κυνός, δοθέντων ἀπὸ μονάδος ὀποσωνοῦν ἀριθμῶν ἐφεξῆς εὑρεῖν ὅσος ἐστὶν ὁ σύμπας*, 'Given any number of consecutive figures starting with unity to find their sum.' This problem is generally assigned to Diogenes Cynicus (*κυνός*). Perhaps arithmetical progressions went by this name.

9-15. 'Up to the place in the *πεσσευτήριον* which is called *Phoror*, which is the house of Horus, and extends for 30 complete *χώραι*, making up the number of days from conjunction to conjunction.' The real period from conjunction to conjunction is about 29½ days. Without knowing more about the construction and use of the *πεσσευτήριον* it is difficult to say what *οὐ μεταφέρουσιν ψήφον* in l. 17 means. The reason assigned in ll. 18-20 is that on the day of conjunction the moon reflects no light from the sun. **Ωρον οἶκος* is a translation of *Φορώρ* which = Egyptian *Per-Hor* 'house of Horus.'

24. *βίβλος*: the reference is very likely to the books of Hermes; cf. Clem. Alex. *Strom.* vi. 4 *μετὰ δὲ τὸν ὥδον ὁ ὠροσκόπος ὠρολόγιον τε μετὰ χεῖρα καὶ φοῖνικα ἀστρολογίας ἔχων σύμβολα πρέσβειν. τοῦτον τὰ ἀστρολογούμενα τῶν Ἑρμοῦ βιβλίων τέσσαρα ὄντα τὸν ἀριθμὸν αἰεὶ διὰ στόματος ἔχουν χρή, ὧν τὸ μὲν ἐστὶ περὶ τοῦ διακόσμου τῶν ἀπλανῶν φαινόμενων ἄστρων, τὸ δὲ περὶ τῶν συνόδων καὶ φωτισμῶν ἡλίου καὶ σελήνης, τὸ δὲ λοιπὸν περὶ τῶν ἀνατολῶν.* The mention

of the *ὥρολόγιον* and the *σύνουδοι* and *φωτισμοί* of the sun and moon affords a noteworthy point of contact with the papyrus.

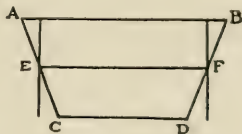
25. *Φερνούφειος*: apparently another division of the *πεπσεντήριον* like *Φορώρ* in l. 11.

31-46. 'The calculation of the construction of time-pieces is thus given. Make a *δαμίσκος* with an upper line of 24 *δάκτυλοι*, a base of 12 *δάκτυλοι*, and a depth of 18 *δάκτυλοι*. If we add the 24 *δάκτυλοι* to the 12 *δάκτυλοι* of the base the result will be 36 *δάκτυλοι*; $\frac{1}{2}$ of this is 18, multiplying, on account of the round surface, by 3 we obtain 54; $\frac{1}{3}$ of this is 18, $\frac{1}{4}$ is $13\frac{1}{2}$; 18 multiplied by $13\frac{1}{2}$ makes 243.'

45. l. *ποιεῖ ἡ ἐπὶ γ' (ἡμισυ) Σμγ.* The last process consists of the multiplication of the two preceding figures ($\frac{x}{3}$ and $\frac{x}{4}$), though it is incorrectly performed here as in the corresponding passages of the various *γραμμαί*. In the first *γραμμή* (l. 57) $23\frac{2}{3} \times 17\frac{3}{4} = 420\frac{1}{12}$, for which the papyrus has $300\frac{1}{12}$ (cf. note *ad loc.*); in the second (ll. 64-5) $23 \times 17\frac{1}{4} = 396\frac{3}{4}$, for which the papyrus has in l. 65 $315\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{15}$, but cf. l. 66, where the total $396\frac{3}{4}$ is reached; in the third the product is lost; in the fourth (l. 71) $16\frac{1}{4} \times 21\frac{2}{3}$ (as is expressly indicated by the papyrus) makes $352\frac{1}{12}$, for which the text has $51\frac{1}{2}$; in the fifth (ll. 77-8) $21 \times 15\frac{3}{4} = 330\frac{3}{4}$, for which the text has $370\frac{3}{4}$; in the sixth (ll. 83-4) $20\frac{1}{3} \times 15\frac{1}{4} = 310\frac{1}{12}$, for which the text has $300\frac{1}{12}$.

The whole process may be explained in this way.

Let AB and CD be two successive *γραμμαί*. Half of AB + CD is the length of EF drawn halfway between the two lines. This is multiplied by 3 *διὰ τὴν περιφέρειαν* (l. 43): if the writer took the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter to be 3 instead of π , the result will be the circumference of the circle described on EF as diameter. This is divided by 3 (i.e. by π), giving the diameter again. The diameter is then multiplied by a quarter of the circumference (in modern language



$2r \times \frac{2\pi r}{4} = \pi r^2$, where r is the radius), giving the area of the circle. If now the writer

made the specious but incorrect assumption that the volume of the frustum of the cone contained between the planes AB and CD was equal to that of the cylinder of equal height standing on the circle described on EF as diameter, then since the distance between AB and CD is 1 *δάκτυλος* he would have regarded his result as the volume expressed in cubic *δάκτυλοι*. The error arising from this assumption is comparatively small in the present case. If the instrument in question were a water-clock, a knowledge of this volume would be of great importance.

46. *ποιεῖ οὕτως Σδ*: the meaning of this number, which corresponds to the revised totals in ll. 66, 73, 79 and 85 after a certain deduction has been made from the totals obtained previously (cf. l. 45, note), is obscure.

48-57. 'The first line is therefore 24 *δάκτυλοι* in length; twice this number is 48, subtract $\frac{2}{3}$, the remainder is $47\frac{1}{3}$, half of this is $23\frac{2}{3}$, this multiplied by 3 makes 71, $\frac{1}{3}$ of this is $23\frac{2}{3}$, and $\frac{1}{4}$ is $17\frac{3}{4}$, total $420\frac{1}{12}$.' On the relation of this figure to the original one see *introd.*

50. There is not room for *δακτύλων* written out, but the word may have been abbreviated. The process of doubling the upper side and then subtracting $\frac{2}{3}$ is equivalent to adding together the lengths of the two opposite sides; cf. ll. 38-40.

54. The reading of the first two letters is very doubtful, but the sense is made certain by a comparison with the parallel passages in ll. 75 and 81. *ἐπὶ τὸ τρίτον*, as the arith-

metic in the parallel passages (cf. l. 45, note) shows, is a mistake for ἐπὶ γ, i.e. multiplication by 3. This abnormal use of an arithmetical term is immediately followed by another, δεύτερον instead of διμοιρον for $\frac{2}{3}$, and the occurrence of these irregularities is traceable to the incorrect verbal interpretation of the figures γ and β. The method of expressing $\frac{3}{4}$ in l. 56 ($\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2}$) is also unusual.

57. τιβ' : l. κιβ', cf. l. 45, note. The confusion of ν and τ is easy and the space left between τ and ι points to an omission.

58-66. 'The second figure consists of $23\frac{1}{3}$ δάκτυλοι, twice this makes $46\frac{2}{3}$, subtract $\frac{2}{3}$ for the contraction, the remainder is $46\frac{1}{2}$ is 23, 3 times this is 69, $\frac{1}{3}$ of this is 23, $\frac{1}{4}$ is $17\frac{1}{4}$, this multiplied by 23 makes $396\frac{3}{4}$, subtract $\frac{1}{16}$, the remainder is $396\frac{11}{16}$.'

The process up to l. 64 is the same as in the previous figure. The numbers in ll. 64-7 are clearly very corrupt, but if ιγ in l. 64 be corrected to κγ the result becomes intelligible. $17\frac{1}{4} \times 23$ gives $396\frac{3}{4}$, i.e. τqββ'ιβ', which has been corrupted to τιε (ἡμισυ) ι'ε'; but after subtracting the last fraction the total in l. 66 is nearly correct; cf. l. 45, note.

62. [τῆς] συ[σ]τολῆς: this means that $\frac{2}{3}$ δάκτυλος is subtracted because each γραμμή is both shorter than the one preceding and larger than the one following by $\frac{2}{3}$ δάκτυλος.

69. About eight lines are lost at the top of the column, which may be restored διπλωσον γίνεται μεγ', ἀφ' ἑλε β', λοιπαὶ μδβ', ὡν τὸ ἡμισυ κβγ' ἐπὶ γ ξξ, τὸ γ' κβγ', τὸ δ' ιεβ'ιβ', ἐπὶ κβγ' γίνεται τοδιβ'. δ κβ, διπλωσον μδ, ἀφ' ἑλε β', λοιπαὶ μγγ', τὸ ἡμισυ καβ' κ.τ.λ.

70-1. The figures, as usual, are very corrupt; $16\frac{1}{4} \times 21\frac{2}{3} = 352\frac{1}{2}$, instead of which the text has in l. 71 $51\frac{1}{2}$. The correct figure τιβ'ιβ' seems to have been transferred to l. 70 and there to have been corrupted into the meaningless ταισβ. Though the final β is not certain, τὰ ἴσα cannot be read, even if it made sense. The figures $41\frac{1}{2}$ in l. 73 are a continuation of the original error $51\frac{1}{2}$ for $352\frac{1}{2}$; cf. note on l. 45.

73. At this point the writer becomes more concise; ε means the fifth γραμμή, which is $21\frac{1}{3}$ δάκτυλοι in length. The usual operations are performed correctly as far as l. 77. In l. 78 μα is an error for κα, and $370\frac{3}{4}$ should be $330\frac{3}{4}$; cf. note on l. 45. The number at the end of l. 79 should probably be $329\frac{1}{2}$.

80-1. 'The sixth (γραμμή) is $20\frac{2}{3}$ (δάκτυλοι), which become $40\frac{2}{3}$ when the $\frac{2}{3}$ has been subtracted.' This is a short way of saying that when all the operations up to the subtraction of the $\frac{2}{3}$ have been performed, the result is $40\frac{2}{3}$ ($20\frac{2}{3} \times 2 = 41\frac{1}{3}$; $41\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = 40\frac{2}{3}$).

82. The superfluous ἐπὶ before κγ' is obviously due to the occurrence of ἐπὶ κγ' in the next line.

84. $15\frac{1}{4} \times 20\frac{1}{3} = 310\frac{1}{12}$, for which the text has either $310\frac{2}{3}$ or $300\frac{1}{12}$; cf. l. 45, note.

85. The seventh γραμμή is 20 δάκτυλοι long. κδ ις is a corruption of κ followed by διπλωσον or διπλασιασθέντος.

87. ιε is an error for ιθ.

V. SECOND CENTURY DOCUMENTS

(a) OFFICIAL.

471. SPEECH OF AN ADVOCATE.

30.5 × 46.5 cm.

Second century.

THIS long papyrus, written in a semi-uncial hand and elaborately punctuated like a literary work, contains part of a speech of an advocate directed against a person whose name is apparently Maximus. The precise point at issue is not clear. There are accusations concerning money-lending, and some question connected with the holding of the office of gymnasiarch arises, but the greater part of the speech consists of an outspoken denunciation of the relations of Maximus to a certain boy. That Maximus was or had been a very high official is shown by several passages; cf. the references in l. 54 to the regal state assumed by him, in ll. 66-72 to the crowd of clients, in ll. 95-7 to petitions made to him and his power to confiscate property, and in ll. 124-30 to his journeys throughout Egypt. These allusions suit no one so well as the praefect himself, and the view that Maximus had been praefect of Egypt is supported by l. 22, where ἐ[π]αρχε[ι]ας is the most probable reading. On this hypothesis the κύριος whose τύχη is appealed to by witnesses in l. 65 and before whom this speech was delivered, was more probably the reigning emperor (cf. l. 32, where κύριος means the emperor) than the praefect in office. Whether however this speech was really delivered or is a composition in the style for instance of 33 (cf. Bauer, *Archiv*, I. pp. 29 sqq.) may be doubted. It is difficult to imagine the circumstances under which such violent accusations would actually be made, and unfortunately the identity of Maximus is far from clear. The only second century praefect known to have borne that name is Vibius Maximus (A.D. 103-7), but the papyrus probably belongs to the age of Hadrian or the Antonines.

Out of six columns the first (not printed) has only the ends of a few lines, while the sixth has lost the ends of lines, and the second and fifth are disfigured by considerable lacunae. Two kinds of stops, the high and low point, are employed and one or two accents and breathings occur. The papyrus has been subjected to much revision, additions to or recastings of the main text being appended at the bottom of Cols. ii-v by a different hand. The position at

which the alterations were to be made is indicated in one or two instances by critical marks.

Col. ii.

- καὶ [τῶν] ἀρχαίων ἀπο[στε-]
) ρεῖτ[αι π]⁹ροσθήσω τι κύριε
 περ[ὶ οὗ] θανμάσεις οἶμαι καὶ
 ἀπι[στήσ]εις ἕως ἂν τὰ γράμ-
 5 μ[ατα ἀνα]γνῶ[[ν]]μεν· τόκον κα-
 τέκρεινεν οὐ μηδέπω χρό-
 νου λαβόντες ἔνιοι τὸ δάνει-
 ον ἦσαν. τί φησιν; ἀποδη-
 [μοῦντ]ες ἡγνοήσατε τὰς
 10 [π]ερὶ τούτων γεγραμμέ-
 νας ὑμ[εῖν] ἐπιστολάς; ἄμει-
 νον δ' αὐται καὶ σαφέστε-
 ρον τὴν περὶ τοῦτο ἀκρεί-
 βειαν καὶ τὴν ἐπιμέλειαν
 15 Μαξίμ[ο]ν δηλώσουσιν.
 ὁ μὲν γὰρ τελευταῖος ὑπο-
 μνημα[τ]ισμὸς [ἐ]πισφρα-
 γίζει τὴν δούλην αὐτοῦ
 καὶ τὸν ἔρωτα τὸν πρὸς
 20 τὸ μειρά[κι]ον· . . . βομέ-
 νων γὰρ ἐπειδὴν ἀπαλ-
 [λ]αγῇ τῆς ἐ[π]αρχείας εἶτα
 [.] τοὺς τόκους
 [.] . ετα[.]πα . . . ο .
 25 [12 letters] . [. . .]
 [" "] μ[ο]ι ὑπο
 [" "] ν διαδο-
 [Χ] . ἐρ διὰ τὰς
 [.] γυμνα[σ]ιαρχίας
 30 [ἐπι]τηρητᾶ[ς] εἰς μὲν

Col. iii.

- 37 νὸς ξ[ί]σται] γυμνασίαρχο[ς]
 τὸ δὲ ἔνατον καὶ ἐ[ἰ]κο-
 στὸν Ἀνείκτος [γυμνα-
 40 σιαρχ]ήσει. ταῦτ[α δὲ ἐκ
 τίνος αἰτ[ί]ας σ[.]
 κας; ἐξαπατηθ[ῆ]ναι
 ἦ καὶ δωρεά[ς] λαβεῖν
 φήσεις; συνφέ[ρ]ει τοί-
 45 νυν τοῦλαττο[ν μόν]ον
 ὁμολογεῖν. ἡμεῖς δ' οὐ-
 κ εἰληφέναι σε μισθὸν
 [ἀλλὰ δε]δοκέναι φαμέν.
 τ[ί] γὰρ ἐπτακαίδεκατῆς
 50 [π]αῖς πᾶσαν ἡμέραν ἐδεί-
 πνει παρὰ σο[φί]ας τούτων
 ἕκαστος ὁσάκις ἡξιώθη
 μεταλαβεῖν ἰστιάσεως,
 [ο]ὐδὲ γὰρ ραδίως ἐκβασι-
 55 λισθεῖς ἀπαξ τὰ τοιαῦ-
 τα ἐχαρίζου, τὸν παῖδα
 ἑώρακεν ἐν τῷ [σ]υνποσί-
 ωι καὶ μετὰ τοῦ π[α]τρὸς
 καὶ μόνον. ἑώρακε δὲ καὶ
 60 [βλ]έμμα ἀναίσχυντον
 καὶ διαπομπὰς ἀναίσχυν-
 του[ς] ἐραστῶν δα[.]ειων.
 τί δὲ πᾶσαν ἡμέ[ρ]αν ἡ-
 [σ]πάξετο; μαρτύρονται
 65 κύριε τὴν σὴν τύχην
 [εἶ] μὴν ἀναμενόντων

[τὸ] ἐν[νεακαίδ]έκατον

[ξί]τος τ[οῦ] κυρίου Βερνεικια-

[.]... αλ... γειας... τω τῶν πώποτε

[.]... [.] κ[αὶ] γ[υ]μνασιάρχων καὶ γρα-

35 [μα]τ[ί] [ἐ]ω[ν] κ[αὶ] τῶ[ν] τῆς γ[υ]μ[ν]ασιάρχ[ας]
[ἐπιτηρητῶν...]. [.]... [.]...

αὐτ

[[ῆμ]ῶν τὸν ἀσπασμὸν

Traces of 4 lines by the second hand.

5. μεν' above the line. 6. ὄν Pap. 8. ἦσαν Pap. 11. ἐπιστολὰς Pap. 15.
δηλωσουσιν' Pap. 20. μεираκιον' Pap. 29. γυμνασιάρχιας' Pap. 30. ἐπιτηρητῆ[ι]ς'
Pap. 40. σιορχησει, Pap. 42. κας' ἐξαπατηθ[ῆ]ναι' Pap. 44. φησεις' Pap. 46.
ομολογεῖν' Pap. 48. φάμεν' Pap. 51. σ[οί] Pap. 53. ιστιασεως, Pap. 1. ἐστιάσεως.
56. ἐχαρίζου, Pap. 58. ὦν'... πατρος' Pap. 59. μονον' Pap. 62. δα[.]ειων' Pap.
63. ἡ[σ]παζετο' Pap. 65. τυχην. Pap.

Col. iv.

- 72 καὶ θυραυλούντων ἐκ τ[οῦ]
κοιτῶνος ἐξ[ι]όντα τὸν
παῖδα ἑορακεῖναι μόν[ον]
75 [[συ]] σύνβολα δεικνύντα
τῆς πρὸς τοῦτον ὁμει-
λίας. ἄπαξ γὰρ ἐν ἔθει τῆς
α[ί]σ[χ]υνης γενόμενον
εὐμορφον καὶ πλούσιον
80 μεираκιον ἐθρύπτετο
καὶ ἐξύβρι[ζ]εν ὥστε ἀντι-
κρυς ἀπάντων συναί-
ζειν καὶ ἐ[ξ]ῆρτῆσθαι τῶν
χειρῶν [Εὐ]τύχου τοῦ κοι-
85 τωνείτου καὶ γέλωτα
πολὸν καὶ ἀνειμένον
ἐν μέσοις τοῖς ἀσπαζο-
μένοις γελᾶν. ἦν δὲ οὐ-
κ ἀσύνετον, ὥστε καὶ
90 ἐπίδειξις ἦν αὐτῶι πρὸς
τοὺς δανειζομένους
ἃ ἔπραττεν. τί οὖν ὁ κα-

Col. v.

- [ἐ]ν θεάτρῳ καθίσαντα
παρέδωκας εἰς θ[έ]λ[η]ματον,
ἀγένειον δὲ καὶ ο[φ]... γ
ἔτι καὶ εὐμορφον μ[ε]ιρά-
110 κιον ἐν τῶι [πραι]τωρίῳ
πᾶσαν ἡμ[έ]ρα[ν] τηρῶν
οὐκέτι ἐπεμπε[ξ] [ἐπὶ τὰ
διδασκαλε[ί]α κα[ὶ] τ[ὰς] προ-
σηκούσας τοῖς ν[ε]ανί]α[ι]ς
115 τριβ[ά]ς. πόσῳ δ[ε] καὶ ὀττε-
ρον ἂν ἐμέψω τῶν...
τα[ῦ]τα πα[ι]δαγωγ[οῦ]ν-
τα πατέρα καὶ... [.]...
[.]... [.]... [.]...
120 [.]... [ε]κ[τ]... [.]... [.]...
λ[.]... [.]... [.]...
χ[.]... [.]... [ε]... [.]...
καὶ [ε]... [.]... [.]...
περ[ι]τ[α]τ[ε]ίς δλην [τὴν] Αἶ-
125 γυπτ[ον] σὺν] μεираκίῳ.
οὐ μὴν εἰς [τὸ] τοῦ... [.]...

τηφῆς σὺν καὶ ὑπεραύ-
 [σ]τηρος οὐκ ἐκώλυνες; [[ἐάν]]
 95 μὲν πένης ἀνθρώπος
 [έν] εὐτελέσιν ἱματίοις
 ἐντύχη· σοὶ τὴν οὐσίαν
 αὐτοῦ καὶ τῆς γυναικὸς
 καὶ τῶν περὶ αὐτὸν ἀνα-
 100 λη[[μ]]φθῆναι κελεύεις καὶ
 τὸν οὐκ ἐν λευκαῖς ἐσθῆσιν
 τοσα[.]τ[ο]υ δευτέρου [[τόκου]]
 πλήρη
 τούτου τόκου [[που]] τὸ συμ-
 καὶ ἡ προσ
 πληρη τη τησ [[η ρα]]
 105 [. .]γτρικης τησ [. .]ωστ . μιτ[ε] . [.]

ἀγοραίου κριτηρ[ίου] βῆμα ?
 ἐπτακαίδεκαετ[ῆς] παῖς ἔσ-
 πετό σοι; τί οὖν καὶ ἐ[ν] Μέμ-
 130 φει καὶ ἐν Πηλουσίῳ [καὶ
 ὅποι ποτ' ᾔσθα μιξί . . .
 συ[[ν]]παρῆν; οἱ μὲν [ἄλλοι
 × πάντες περισταμ[ε]θα
 τάς τε ἀποδημί[ας] καὶ
 135 τὰς κρίσεις ὥστε μ[ι]
 × οἱ μὲν ἀλ[λο]ι πάντες περ[ι]υστά-
 μεθα τὰς ἀποδημί[ας]
 ἀπέσφαξεν τί
 . . . [

72. θυραυλουντων' Pap. 74. εορακεναι' Pap. 76. ομειλιας' Pap. 81. εξυβρι[ξ]εν'
 Pap. 84. κοιτωνειτου' Pap. 88. γελαν' Pap. 89. ασυνετον' ὥστε Pap. 90.
 I. αὐτοῦ. 92. επραττεν' Pap. 93. υπεραν[σ]τηρος' Pap. 94. εκωλυνε' Pap. 97.
 σοι' Pap. 100. κελυνεις' Pap. 115. τριβ[α]ς' Pap. 122. ε . . . Pap. 129. σοι.
 Pap. 130. φει' Pap. 132. παρην' Pap. 135. κρισεις' Pap.

Col. vi.

140 . τ[ι] τισ[ι] . [.
 ἄμα γὰρ τὴν εὐσεβ[ε]ίαν
 Μαξίμου σκόπει . [.
 ρισε Καλλ[ι]ν[ε]ικός τ[ι]ς τῶν
 ἀπὸ Μουσείου φιλ[ο]σόφων
 145 ἄρξας δὲ καὶ τὴν . [.
 ἀρχιδικαστῶν ασ[ι]
 κα ἐπὶ παιδε[ι]
 ἐνπερίρ[α] δε[ι]
 ἄλλως δὲ οὐκ[ι]

150 σώματι κεχρημ[έν]ος
 ἡξιώθη παρ[ι]
 τῶν τοιούτ[ων]
 σίων αφ[ι]
 κρέινειν . [.
 155 αὐτῶν. θαρ[ι]
 τὴν ἐπιστ[ι]
 κε τὴν ση[ι]
 τησεπ[ι]
 ἐργο[ι]
 160 [.]ξ[ι]

142. σκοπει' Pap.

155. αυτωι' Pap.

2. The critical mark opposite this line perhaps indicates that the adscript at the bottom of the column was to be inserted at this point. But from internal evidence the adscript would seem more appropriate to ll. 21-32, where the *γυμνασιάρχια* is referred to. There is also a v-shaped mark opposite l. 7.

2-110. 'I will add a fact, my lord, which will, I expect, excite your wonder and disbelief until we read the documents. He condemned people to pay interest for a period at which in some cases they had not yet even received the loan. What does he say? Owing to your absence you were ignorant of the letters written to you about this? These letters will still better and more clearly exhibit Maximus' exactness and care in this matter. For the last memorandum confirms (the question of) his slave(?) and his love for the youth. . . . Up to the 19th year of the Emperor Berenicianus will be gymnasiarch and in the 29th Anicetus will hold that office. What reason had you for (suppressing?) all this? Will you say that you were deceived or that you took bribes? It is best to acknowledge only the lesser fault. But we assert not that you took a reward but that you gave one. For why did a boy of 17 years dine with you every day? Each of these witnesses whenever he was invited to join the banquet (it was not easy when once you had assumed regal state to obtain such favours from you) saw the boy at the party, both with his father and alone, and each saw the shameless look and shameless goings to and fro of the lovers. . . . Why did he greet him every day? They bear evidence swearing by your Fortune, my lord, that while they were waiting to salute him and gathered at the door they saw the boy coming out of the bed-chamber alone, showing signs of his intercourse with him. For when once accustomed to his shame this handsome and rich youth gave himself airs and became so impudent that he sported with and clasped the hands of Eutyclus the chamberlain in the presence of every one and laughed long and freely in the middle of the clients. He was not stupid, and even showed off to the borrowers what he had been doing. Why then did not you with your modesty and extreme austerity stop him? If a poor man wearing cheap clothes asks you a favour, you order his property and that of his wife and friends to be confiscated, and the man who took his seat at the theatre without wearing white garments you delivered to death, whereas a still beardless . . . and handsome youth you kept all day in the praetorium and did not send him any longer to the schools and the exercises proper for the young . . . you travel about the whole of Egypt with the youth. Did not a boy of 17 years accompany you to the judgement-seat in the public court? Why then was he by your side both at Memphis and at Pelusium and wherever you were? . . .'

18. τὴν δούλην αὐτοῦ is very obscure; an abstract substantive to balance *ἔρωτα* would be expected. 1. δούλειαν?

20. The vestiges do not well suit ἀμειβομένων.

41. σ[εσιώπη]κας?

62. δα[.]ειων: the second letter might be ο, but it is difficult to escape from δα[.]είων, which however yields no sense.

472. SPEECH OF AN ADVOCATE.

30.5 × 35.5 cm.

About A.D. 130.

This papyrus contains the concluding part of a speech in defence by an advocate. The first column, which consists only of ends of lines, is not printed,

the second and third are practically complete. The orator's client was a woman called Hermione, against whom various charges of attempted poisoning, and fraud in connexion with a supposed mortgage, had been brought by a man whose name does not appear here, but was Sarapion, if, as is almost certain, 486 is concerned with the same dispute. An epistrategus is mentioned in the first column, and it is probable that the proceedings took place about A.D. 130 before Claudius Quintianus at the trial mentioned in 486. 8 and 26, from which passages we learn that the epistrategus referred the case to the praefect. The handwriting of the papyrus is very like that of the Petition of Dionysia (237), written in the reign of Commodus, and this copy of the speech may have been made some years after it was delivered.

Col. ii.

- αυτη. καὶ γὰρ ἀπὸ τῆς ἐκείνου οἰκίας ἐξεληλύθει πεφαρμακεῦσθαι
 λέ[γω]ν καὶ ἀπ[ὸ] μὲν τῆς Ἑρμιόνης οἰκίας ἐξιὼν οὐτ' ἔφη
 πρὸς τινα αἰσθέσθαι οὐδενὸς οὐδ' ὅλως ὑπόνοιαν οὐδεμίαν ἔσχεν,
 ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς ἑαυτοῦ τε καὶ τοῦ κληρονομεῖν μέλλοντος υἱοῦ
 5 προῆλθε πεφαρμακεῦσθαι λέγων. εἶχεν μὲν οὖν αἰτίας τοῦ καὶ
 αὐτὸς [ἐ]αυτῷ προσενεκεῖν φάρμακον ἃς καὶ ἄλλοι πολλοὶ τὸν
 θάνατον τοῦ ζῆν προκρείναντες, καὶ γὰρ ὑπὸ δανειστῶν ὥλλυ-
 το καὶ ἠπόρει. εἰ δ' ἄρα τις καὶ ἐπεβούλευσεν αὐτῷ ὁ υἱὸς ἐπιτηδει-
 ότατος. διὰ τί δ' ἐπήνεγκεν τὸ ἐγκλημα ταύτη δῆλον. δύναται
 10 μὲν γὰρ καὶ ἄλλα τινα λελoiπῆσθαι παρὰ τὸν τῆς προνοίας χρόνον,
 διαδίκνυσι δὲ τὸ πρᾶγμα ὅτι καὶ ἐζηλοτύπει αὐτὴν μὴ ἐπισταμένην
 καὶ ἄνδρα μὲν αὐτῆς ἑαυτὸν ἐκάλει, οὐκ ἀξιούμενος δὲ ταύτης
 τῆς προσηγορίας ὑπ' αὐτῆς καὶ ἐρωτικῶς ἤλγει καὶ ἐπιζῆν ἑαυτῷ
 ταύτην οὐκ ἤθελεν. ἐὰν λέγωσιν δοῦλον Σμάραγδον ἀνεύρετον
 15 γε[γ]ονέναι αὐτὸν αἰτίαν ἔχοντα τοῦ τὴν πίστιν κεκλοφέναι,
 φη[σ]ίμ' οὖν καὶ πίστιν γεγονέναι ἵνα κλεπῇ, οὐ δύναται γὰρ κεκλέ-
 φθαι τὸ μὴδ' ἀρχὴν γενόμενον μὴ δυνατὸν δ' εἶναι μὴδὲ
 πίστιν γεγρ[ά]φθαι. οὔτε γὰρ ἡ ἀγοράσ(ας)α γράμματα ἦδει οὔτε ἡ νῦν
 ἐγκαλουμένη Ἑρμιόνη, οὔτε ξένος οὐδεὶς ἄλλης καταγραφείσης
 20 πίστι[ν] π[α]ρ' [ἐ]αυτοῦ δίδωσι. ὥστε καὶ παρὰ τίνος ἂν εἴποι τὴν πίστιν
 ἐσχηκέναι; παρὰ παντὸς γὰρ ἄκυρος ἦν. εἰ δὲ ἀπέδρα δοῦλος
 οὐδὲν δύναται τοῦτο κατὰ δεσπότην. ἔτι μέντοι περὶ τοῦ
 μὴδὲ πίστιν εἶναι καὶ ἡ νομὴ συνβάλλεται. τῶν γὰρ ἐν πίστει

- καταγραφέντων τὸ ὄνομα μ[ό]νον εἰς τοὺς χρηματισμοὺς
 25 παρε[θ]έ[ν]των, οὐκέτι δ' ἀντιποιοιμένων ὧν κατεγράφησαν
 ἢ μὲν ἀγοράσ[ας] α φανερά ἐσ[τι]ν καὶ ἀντιπεποιημένη καὶ ἀφ' οὔπερ
 ἡγόρα[σ]ε [κ]αρπουμένη, ὃ δ' ἀφ' οὔπερ πέπρακε οὐκέτι ἀλλὰ καὶ
 τῶν τῆς μητρὸς τὴν [οἰ]κονομίαν ὡς προνοητῆς ποιοῦμενος
 30 τούτοις δὲ ἐνχ[ει]ρῶν. ἐὰν κοινὸν ὁμολόγημα λέγωσι γεγο-
 νέναι τῆς θυγατρὸς πρὸς τὴν Ἑρμιόνην ἑκατὸν πεντήκοντα
 κεραμίω[ν] καὶ ἀπὸ τούτων ὧν ἡγόρασεν κτημάτων φαμὲν
 τοῦτο [πᾶ]ν μηδὲν εἶναι πρὸς τὸν κατήγορον. οὐ γὰρ εἴ τι ἔπραξε
 θυγάτηρ πρὸς τὴν μητέρα τοῦτο αὐτοῖς εἰς συκοφαντίαν εὕρημα,
 ὅμως δὲ οὔτε τῶν αὐτῶν χρόνων οὐδὲ τοῦτο ἀλλὰ μετ' ἐνι-
 35 αὐτῶν ἐγγὺς δὴ οὔτε ἐκ[ατὸ]ν πεντήκοντα κεραμίων χορηγία
 πρὸς πίστ[ι]ν τεσσάρων ταλάντων οὐδὲν ἐστι, ταῦτα γὰρ μόνον
 ἐνός ἐστιν τόκος. ἀλλὰ μὴν . υ[τῶν] πίστεως περὶ τούτων
 οὔσης παρὰ τῷ δοκοῦντι πεπρακέναι ἐτέρῳ ἂν ἑαυτὴν γράμ-
 ματι ἢ θ[υγ]άτηρ κατηγύα τῷ δημοσίῳ μελλήσουσα ἀφαιρε-
 40 θήσε[σθαι] ὁ[πό]τε ἐκείνῳ ἐδόκει; ἀλλὰ καὶ τὸ τῆς [χορ]ηγίας τοιοῦτον
 ἦν· [τῇ γὰρ Ἑρμιό]νῃ τρεῖς παῖδες ἦσαν, Ἀφροδ[ο]]ν, Διονυσία,
 τ[ο]]ν τῆς Διονυσίας τὸ προ[ο]] Ἑρμιόνη
 [14 letters] ἔκστασιν τοῦ μην[ος] . [.] . εν
 [16 „]ησ[τος] [17 letters]τερον

Col. iii.

- 45 τῶν παίδων τοῦ πρεσβυτέρου,
 ἐδεήθη ἡ Διονυσία τῆς μητρὸς
 μὴ ἐπὶ μόνοις αὐτὴν ἀπολιπεῖν
 τοῖς διατηγῆναι φθάσασιν
 ἀλλὰ τι καὶ παρασχέιν ὥς ἐπὶ
 50 ἐνὶ μόνῳ σαλεύουσιν, καὶ ἡ μὲν
 Ἑρμιόνη δίδωσιν αὐτῇ ἐν ἡμισυ
 τάλαντον. ἡ δ' ἵνα μὴ καὶ ζῶσα
 ἢ μήτηρ τούτων στερηῇται δίδωσι
 ἀντὶ τόκου κατ' ἐνιαυτὸν τὴν

55 χορηγίαν ταύτην καὶ τοῦτο αὐτὸ
γέγραπται κατὰ τὸ κοινὸν ὁμολό-
γημα.

6. ε of ε[αν]τω corr. from α. 10. l. λελυπησθαι. 11. δε above the line. 13.
Second ω of ερωτικως above ο. 14. ηθελει// Pap. 15. κεκλοφεναι// Pap. 22. π of περι
corr. 29. ρων// Pap. 32. ε corr. 48. ιν of φθασασιν above ιν very cursively written.
56. κο of κοινον corr. from γκ.

‘For it was from his house that he came out saying that he had been poisoned, and when he came out of Hermione’s house he neither told any one that he noticed anything nor had the least suspicion, but it was from the house of himself and his son and future heir that he came forth saying that he had been poisoned. He had indeed reasons for administering poison to himself which many others have had in preferring death to life; for he was ruined by creditors and at his wit’s end: but if any one really plotted against him, his son is the most likely person. Why he brought the accusation is now clear. He may indeed have had other troubles during the period of his stewardship, but the case shows that he was jealous of her without her knowledge and called himself her husband, but since she did not vouchsafe him this title, he suffered like a lover and did not wish her to outlive him. If they say that the slave Smaragdus has disappeared being himself accused of having stolen the mortgage—he only asserts that a mortgage was made in order that it might be stolen; for it is impossible for that to have been stolen which neither ever existed at all nor could exist, nor can a mortgage have been drawn up, since neither the buyer knew how to write nor the present defendant Hermione, nor does a stranger when another woman is registered as mortgagee himself issue a deed of mortgage. So from whom could he say that he had received the mortgage? From whichever quarter he did so, it was invalid. And if a slave has run away, this is no argument against his master. Moreover the division also helps to show that there never was any mortgage. For persons who are registered as mortgagees have only their name inserted in deeds and do not claim the property which has been registered in mortgage, but the buyer has clearly claimed the property and been in enjoyment of it ever since she bought it, while he since he sold it has no longer been enjoying it, but administering the property of the mother as a steward and attacking my clients. If they say that a joint agreement was made between the daughter and Hermione for 150 jars, to be produced, from these vineyards which she (Dionysia) bought, we assert that all this has nothing to do with the plaintiff. For if the daughter did make an agreement with the mother, this does not afford them an excuse for calumnies. That however did not happen at the same period, but nearly a whole year afterwards, and the provision of 150 jars is nothing as security for 4 talents, for they are the interest upon only 1 talent. Again, if there had been security given to the supposed seller, would the daughter have pledged herself to the State by another deed when she was liable to be deprived of the property whenever he chose? The facts about the provision are as follows: Hermione had three children, Aphro . . . , Dionysia . . . Dionysia entreated her mother not to leave her with only what had already been used up, but to give her something since she was dependent upon only a single resource, whereupon Hermione pays her $1\frac{1}{2}$ talents. But Dionysia, in order that her mother may not in her lifetime be deprived of that sum, pays instead of interest every year this provision, and this very statement is contained in the mutual agreement.’

- 4 [γία καὶ] αἰς πρὸς τὸ πλη[ρ]έστατον τὰ τε [θε]ωρικὰ χρήματα
ἀμέμπτω[ς] ἐπίδιδωσι καὶ τὴν τῶν βαλα-
5 [νείων] μέρος καίτοι τῇ[ς] τῶν μειζόνων θερμῶν ἐπιμελείας
εἰς αὐτὸν ἐλθούσης μεγαλοφρόνως
6 [ων διήμαρ[τ]ε ε . . . στε[. .] πλείοσι παρὰ τὴν πρῶ-
την ἀκμὴν πολλὰ παρορᾶσθαι
7 [. συντῶ ἄξ[ι]ον τῇ ἡλικίᾳ καὶ τὴν τοῦ λοιποῦ βίου
φιλοτιμίαν, τιμῆσαι αὐτὸν ἀνδριάν-
8 [τι] μω καὶ γραφᾶ[τ]ε δλου τοῦ σώματος καὶ ἀσπιδαίων
τριῶν ἀναθέσει ἐν τοῖς τῆς
9 [πόλεως]]

1. ο of τιου corr. from ι.

7. τω corr. from προ or *vice versa*.

2. For the supplement cf. B. G. U. 362. v. 1-2. λαμπροτάτης here is uncertain, for such honorific adjectives are not elsewhere applied to Oxyrhynchus before the third century, when it had a municipal constitution like other *μητροπόλεις* of nomes.

3. ε[. . .]ειρα: probably εἰν τῇ χείρᾳ, i. e. χρεία.

ἀλειμμάτων: cf. φιλοτίμως ἀλείφοντι in an inscription in honour of a third century gymnasiarch published by Milne, *Journ. Hell. Stud.* 1901, p. 284. . . . λημμα in P. Amh. 70. 7 is no doubt ἄλημμα or ἄλειμμα.

5. μειζόνων θερμῶν: Ἀδριανὰ θερμὰ at Oxyrhynchus are mentioned in 54. 14, but were probably distinct from the μειζονα.

7. The beginning of this line seems to be corrupt.

8. For ἀσπίδια in conjunction with ἀνδριάντες and ἀγάλματα cf. B. G. U. 362, x. 6.

474. CIRCULAR TO OFFICIALS.

34.6 × 18.5 cm.

A. D. 184?

This papyrus contains copies of three letters written by a high functionary, Plautius Italus, to various officials. The first (ll. 1-8) is addressed to the strategî and basilico-grammateis of several nomes, which were apparently enumerated in ll. 8-9, and directs their attention to the following letter (ll. 10-30) from himself to the strategus of the Tanite nome, reprimanding him and the basilico-grammateus for peculations. This is succeeded (ll. 31-41) by another letter to the same set of officials as those addressed in the first, forbidding in more general and peremptory terms the practice of diverting the imperial revenues to the 'salaries' of the principal revenue-officers of the nomes. The third letter is complete, but a large portion of the first two is hopelessly illegible owing to the staining of the papyrus. The circulars were issued on December 16

in the 25th year of an unnamed emperor, who must however be Commodus or Caracalla, since none of the others reigned so long. The handwriting, which suggests the second century rather than the third, is in favour of the earlier date. What position Plautius Italus held is not certain. If the reigning emperor was Commodus, it is possible that he was the praefect in A.D. 184, but this is not very likely, since Longaeus Rufus was praefect in May 185 (237. vi. 15, cf. P. Amh. 107), and Veturius Macrinus in July 181 (De Ricci, *Proc. Soc. Bibl. Arch.* 1902, p. 67) and *perhaps* in May 183 (B. G. U. 847). December 16, 216, falls in the praefecture of Valerius Datus (De Ricci, l. c. p. 100). It is more probable that Plautius Italus was διοικητής or perhaps ἴδιος λόγος. Since his letters are addressed to officials of nomes in the Delta as well as of, presumably, the Oxyrhynchite nome, it is hardly possible that he was an epistrategus.

- Πλαύτιο[ς] Ἰταλὸς στρ(ατηγοῖς) καὶ βασιλ(ικοῖς) γραμματεῦσι
 νομῶν τῶν ὑπογεγραμμένω[ν χαίρειν].
 τῆς γραφείσης ὑπ' ἐμοῦ ἐπιστολῇ[ς]
 Σαραπίωνι τῷ τοῦ Τανίτου νομοῦ
 5 στρατηγῶι τὸ ἀντίγραφον ὑπέταξα ὅπως
 καὶ ὑμεῖς εἰδῆτε καὶ τὰ κεκελευσμένα [. .
 τα τρη . . γρ [. .
 (ἔτους) κε 16 letters [. .] . . [. .
 Βουβ(αστίτου) 22 letters
 10 σ 25 letters
 τηρ 23 "
 θαι τηται ἵνα ἄλλα προτε[. . .
 δια . . . οντα ν διωκεῖται τ[.
 αυτα ἰν ἀξ[ι]ώτατός τε κομι-
 15 ζαντ . . . ὀφειλομεν[. .] . . [.
 τα του κεκελευ[σ]μεν[.
 ἐν . . τησας διὰ τοῦ ἀρ[γ]υρικ[οῦ] λόγου τοῦ
 Φα[ω]φι μηνὸς τῷ βασ[ι]λ(ικῷ) γραμματεῖ
 [. .] . . τοῦ κδ (ἔτους) ἀργ(υρίου) (ταλαντ) φ . [. . .] . . .
 20 ποιήσον. εἰ δὲ μὴ δῆλως [καὶ ἐμ-
 προθέσμως τὰ δέοντα [. . .
 ἐκείνος εἰς ἀπαίτησίν σοι [

μετέδωκεν, καὶ οὐδέν ἐστιν τὸ
καλούμενον ὀψίμως ὑπ' αὐτοῦ περι-
25 γεγραμμένον, ἐπέσχεν ἂν τὴν δόσιν
τοῦ φθάσαντος αὐτῷ ὑπὸ σοῦ ἐξο-
διασθῆναι ἀργυρίου. καὶ φρόντισον
εἰς τὸ ἐξῆς μηδὲν παρὰ τὰ συνκεχω-
ρημένα γίνεσθαι.

30 (ἐτους) κε Χοίακ κ.

ἄλλης. Πλαύτιος Ἰταλὸς στρατηγὸς) καὶ
βασιλικοῖς) γραμματεῦσι) τῶν ὑπογεγραμμένων νομῶν
χαίρειν. ἐπιτυχάνων τοῖς ἀργυρικοῖς
λόγοις κατελαβόμεν ἑνίους τῶν στρατηγῶν
35 καὶ βασιλικῶν γραμματέων σαλάρια
χρόνου τινὸς δι' ἑαυτῶν ἀνελομένοις
ἀβουλία μᾶλλον ἢ πειθοῖ τῶν παρηγγελ-
μένων χρωμένοις, κάκεινοις μὲν τὰ δέοντα
ἐπέστειλα, κοινῇ δὲ πᾶσι δεύτερον τοῦτο
40 προσαγορεύω ἄνευ τοῦ ἐπιτραπῆναι
μὴ ἐφάπτεσθαι τοῦ κυριακοῦ χρήματος.

13. l. διοικείται. 36. l. ἀνελομένους. 38. l. χρωμένους. ν of μεν corr. from τ.

20-7. The sense of this sentence, which stands between two imperatives, is very obscure. ἐκεῖνος in l. 22 and αὐτοῦ in l. 24 refer presumably to the basilico-grammateus, who is also the subject of ἐπέσχεν. After σοι in l. 22 three or four letters may be lost. καὶ οὐδέν—περιγεγραμμένον seems to be a parenthetical remark. The unauthorized payment to the basilico-grammateus in l. 26 is further explained by ll. 35 sqq., since l. 38 probably refers back to the second letter.

31-41. '(Copy) of another (letter). Plautius Italus to the strategi and basilico-grammateis of the hereinafter-mentioned nomes, greeting. On examining the accounts of the money revenue I discovered that certain of the strategi and basilico-grammateis had paid themselves salaries for some period on their own responsibility, in defiance rather than obedience to the proclamations. Thereupon I sent them a suitable admonition, and I now make this second order applying to all that the imperial moneys are not to be touched without leave.'

41. κυριακοῦ χρήματος: i.e. the revenue of the κυριακὸς λόγος, on which see P. Meyer in *Festschr. zu O. Hirschfeld* p. 139. His view that κυριακὸς λόγος = *fiscus* (διοίκησις) as opposed to *δοῖος λόγος* is true in most instances, but a notable exception occurs in P. Catt. v. 17 (cf. *Archiv*, III. 1), where the *bona vacantia* of a soldier who had died without heirs are appropriated by the idilogus Julianus εἰς τὸν κυριακὸν λόγον.

475. REPORT OF AN ACCIDENT.

28.7 x 9 cm.

A.D. 182.

A letter from the strategus Hierax to one of his *ὑπηρέται*, enclosing a copy of a report sent him by a certain Leonides with regard to the death of a slave, who had been killed by falling from an upper story while watching an entertainment given by dancing-girls. The strategus orders the *ὑπηρέτης* to view the dead body in company with a public physician ; cf. 51-2 and 476.

‘Ιέραξ στρατηγὸς Ὁξυρυγχείτου Κλαυ-
 δίῳ Σερήνῳ ὑπηρέτῃ. τῶν δοθέν-
 των μοι βιβλιδί[ω]ν ὑ[π]ὸ Λεωνίδου
 το[ῦ] καὶ Σερήνου τὸ ἴσον ἐπεστέλλεται σοι,
 5 ὅπως παραλαβὼν δημόσιον ἱατρὸν
 ἐπ[ι]θεωρήσης τὸ δηλούμενον νε-
 κρὸν σῶμα καὶ παραδοὺς εἰς κηδεί-
 αν ἐνγράφως ἀποφάσεις προσφω-
 νήσητε. (2nd hand) σεσ[η]μ(είωμαι).
 1st hand. 10 (ἔτους) κγ [Μ]άρκου Αὐρηλίου Κομμόδου
 Ἀντωνίνου Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου
 Ἀθὺρ ζ.

3rd hand. ‘Ιέρακι στρα(τηγῶ)
 παρὰ Λεωνίδου τοῦ καὶ [Σερήνου χ]ρη-
 15 ματίζοντος μητρὸς Ταύριο[ς] ἀπὸ Σε-
 νέπτα. ὁψ[ι]ας τῆς διελθούσης] ἔκ(τ)ης
 ἐ-ρτῆς οὔσης ἐν τῇ Σε-νέπτα καὶ κρο-
 ταλιστρίδων λειτουργούσων κατὰ τὸ
 ἔθος πρὸς οἰκίᾳ Πλουτίωνος τοῦ [γαμ-
 20 βροῦ μου . . . [.] τοδῆμου
 Ἐπαφρόδειτος δοῦλος αὐτοῦ ὡς
 (ἐτών) η βουληθεὶς ἀπὸ τοῦ δώματος
 τῆς αὐτῆς οἰκίας παρακύψαι καὶ
 θεάσασθαι τὰς [κρο]ταλιστρίδας

- 25 ἔπεσεν καὶ ἐτελε[ύ]τησεν. οὗ χά-
 ριν ἐπιδιδούς τὸ βιβλεῖδιον [ἀξ]ιω
 ἔαν δόξῃ σοι ἀποτάξαι ἓνα τῶν περὶ
 σὲ ὑπηρετῶν εἰς τὴν Σενέπτα
 ὅπως τὸ τοῦ Ἐπαφροδείτου σῶμα
 30 τύχῃ τῆς δεούσης περιστολ[ῆς] καὶ
 καταθέσεως. (ἔτους) κγ Αὐτοκράτορος
 Καίσαρος Μάρκου Αὐρηλίου Κομμόδου Ἀντωνίνου
 Σεβαστοῦ Ἀρμενιακοῦ Μηδικοῦ Παρθικοῦ
 Σαρματικοῦ Γερμανικοῦ Μεγίστου Ἀθὺρ ζ.
 35 Λεωνίδης ὁ καὶ Σερῆνος ἐπ[ι]δ[έ]δωκα.

4. 1. ἐπέσταλται. 6. το corr. from τον.

‘Hierax, strategus of the Oxyrhynchite nome, to Claudius Serenus, assistant. A copy of the application which has been presented to me by Leonides also called Serenus is herewith sent to you. Take a public physician and view the dead body referred to, and having delivered it over for burial make a report in writing. Signed by me. The 23rd year of Marcus Aurelius Commodus Antoninus Caesar the lord, Athur 7.

To Hierax, strategus, from Leonides also called Serenus, whose mother is stated as Tauris, of Seneptha. At a late hour of yesterday the 6th, while a festival was taking place at Seneptha and the castanet-players were giving their customary performance at the house of Plution my son-in-law . . ., his slave Epaphroditus, aged about 8 years, wishing to lean out from the bed-chamber(?) of the said house and see the castanet-players, fell and was killed. I therefore present this application and ask you, if it please you, to appoint one of your assistants to come to Seneptha in order that the body of Epaphroditus may receive proper laying out and burial.’ Date and signature of Leonides.

8. ἐνγράφως: or perhaps ἐνγράφους.

22. δώματος: δῶμα here clearly indicates a room on an upper floor, and probably means the same as δωματίον, i.e. a bed-chamber.

476. REPORT OF MUMMIFIERS.

9.8 × 6.3 cm.

Second century.

A report addressed to the strategus by two ἐνταφιασταί who had been commissioned to examine the cause of a death which had taken place. Cf. 51, a similar report by a public physician, and the preceding papyrus.

Φωκίῳ στρ(ατηγῷ)
 παρὰ Θώνιος· Φλώρου
 μητρὸς Πτολεμαῖς
 ὡς (ἐτῶν) λε οὐ(λῆ) καρπ(ῶ) ἀρίστε-
 ρῶ) καὶ Θώ-
 5 νιος Πεταῦτος μητρὸς
 Ταουήτος ὡς (ἐτῶν) ξβ ἀσήμ(ου)
 ἀμφοτέρων ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγ-
 χων πόλεως ἐνταφι-
 αστῶν. τῇ ἐνεστώσῃ

10 ἡμέρᾳ ἐπετράπημεν·
 ὑπὸ σοῦ διὰ Ἑρακλείου
 ὑπηρέτου ἐπιδεῖν σῶ-
 μα νεκρὸν Ἀπίος Παύ-
 σιος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πό-
 15 λ[ε]ως καὶ προσφωνῆσαι
 [τὴν περὶ τὸ αὐ]τὸ διάθεσιν.
 [ἐπιδόντες οὖν] τὸ αὐτὸ σῶ-
 [μα ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ] αὐτοῦ ἐπ[ι]

11. δὲ of δια corr. from τ.

'To Phocion, strategus, from Thonis son of Florus and Ptolema, aged about 35 years, having a scar upon his left wrist, and from Thonis son of Petaus and Taoues, aged about 62, with no distinguishing mark, both of Oxyrhynchus, mummifiers. To-day we were commissioned by you through your assistant Heracleus to inspect the dead body of Apis son of Pausis, of the said city, and to report the circumstances of the case. We therefore inspected the said body at his house . . .'

18. The papyrus probably continued ἐπ[ὶ παρόντι τῷ αὐτῷ ὑπηρέτῃ εὐρόμεν; cf. 51. 12 sqq.

(δ) DECLARATIONS (ἀπογραφαί).

477. REGISTRATION OF AN EPHEBUS.

15.7 × 11.3 cm.

A.D. 132-3.

This interesting papyrus is an application addressed to Marcus Claudius Serenus, exegetes and holder of a variety of titles, and to other Alexandrian officials, from Ammonius, a citizen of Alexandria, who wished his son to be registered among the *ephebi* of the following year. At Athens the *δοκιμασία* and enrolment of *ἐφηβοί* took place at the age of 18, when they were received into their tribe and deme, and attained their legal majority, though they did not obtain full civic rights until the age of 21. At Alexandria it appears from a Tebtunis papyrus of the reign of Trajan that admission to the ranks of the *ἐφηβοί* was possible at a much earlier age, when the

assumption of legal rights would be out of the question. We also learn from the same document that the *ἐφηβοί* were registered in numbered *συμμορίαί*.

- Μάρκῳ Κλαυδ[ί]ῳ Σερήνῳ νεωκόρῳ τοῦ
 μεγάλου Σαράπιδος τῶν κεχίλιαρχηκότων
 γενομένῳ ἐπάρχῳ σπείρης πρώτης
 Δαμασ[κ]ηνῶν καὶ ἀρχιγεωργῷ ἱερεῖ ἐξηγητῇ
 5 καὶ τοῖς Καισαρείοις καὶ τοῖς] ἄλλοις πρυτάνεσι
 παρὰ Ἀμμωνίου τ[ο]ῦ Θεώνος τοῦ
 Σαραπίωνος Προπαπ[πο]σεβα[σ]τείου τοῦ
 καὶ Ἀλθαιέως τ[ῶ]ν τὸ [π]έμπτον ἔτ[ο]ς
 Δομιτιανοῦ [ἐ]φηβευκότων. βουλό-
 10 μενος ἰσκρεῖναι εἶ[ς] τοὺς τὸ ἰσὶὺν ὀκτω-
 καιδέκατον ἔτ[ο]ς Αὐτ[ο]κράτορος Καίσαρος
 Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ ἐφήβους
 τὸν γεγονότ[α] μοι ἐκ τῆς ἀδελφῆς μου
 Θανβαρίου ἀστ[ῆ]ς ἣ μ[ε]τῆλλαχεν υἱὸν
 15 Νειλάμμωνα ἀξιῶ] ὅμῳ συντάξαι
 τοῖς πρὸς τούτ[οι]ς οὖσι λαβοῦσί μ[ο]ν
 χειρογραφί[α]ν μεθ' ὅρκου ἀληθῆ εἶναι
 τὰ προκείμε[να] γράψαι, οἷς καθήκει
 χρηματί[ζε]ιν μοι . . .]νντι τὰ πρὸς
 20 τῇ[ν] 16 letters]εῖαν τοῦ
 [προγεγραμμένου μου] υἱοῦ Νειλάμ-
 [μωνος καὶ] τῷ τε κοσ-
 [μητῇ καὶ τῷ γυμνασιάρχῳ] τοῖς
 [. εἰσκρίν]αι ἰς τοὺς
 25 [ἐφήβους]ωπ().
 2nd hand. [Νειλάμμων Ἀμμωνίου ἐφη]βος ἀπ' Ὁξ(υρύγχων) [πόλ(εως)
 []

‘To Marcus Claudius Serenus, *neocorus* of the great god Sarapis, ex-chiliarch, late praefect of the first cohort of the Damascenes, chief of the cultivators, priest and exegetes, and to the Caesarii and the other prytaneis, from Ammonius son of Theon son of Sarapion, of the Althaeian deme of the Propapposebastian tribe, who became an ephebus in the 5th year of Domitian. I wish to enroll among those becoming ephebi in the coming 18th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus my son Nilammon

by my late sister Thaubarion, citizen, and therefore request you to instruct the officers concerned, on receipt of my declaration on oath that the foregoing statements are true, to write to the proper officials to deal with my case on my (proving the descent) of my aforesaid son Nilammon, and to (communicate with) the cosmetes and gymnasiarch . . . to enroll him among the ephebi . . .

3. ἐπάρχῳ σπείρης πρώτης Δαμασ[κ]ηνῶν : cf. B. G. U. 73. 2-3, &c.

4. ἀρχιγεωργῷ : a novel and, in this context, unexpected title ; but the reading seems clear. Cf. 513. II, note.

5. Καισαρείους : if these are officials the title is apparently not otherwise known. A Caesarian tribe (? at Alexandria) occurs in 373, but if members of one particular tribe were being addressed, the Propapposebastian (l. 7) would be expected, though cf. 513. I, note.

7-8. On the tribes and demes of Egyptian πόλεις see Kenyon, *Archiv*, II. 70 sqq.¹, who clearly shows by the aid of a British Museum papyrus that these doubled epithets connected by ὁ καί refer respectively to the tribe and deme of the person to whom they are applied. Προπαπποσεβάστειος (cf. 497. 20) is known as the name of an Alexandrian φυλή from an inscription published by Jouguet in *Bull. Corr. Hell.* xx. 398. Cf. 513. I, note.

19-20. Perhaps δικοῦντι τὰ πρὸς τῇ[ν] . . . ἀγχιστ[ε]ίαν or some such phrase.

22 sqq. The cosmetes and the gymnasiarch are no doubt the officials at Oxyrhynchus. The wish of the petitioner was that after the completion of the formalities at Alexandria the local magistrates should be communicated with, and the status of the boy thus established.

478. SELECTION OF BOYS (ἐπίκρισις).

26 × 6.1 cm.

A.D. 132.

An application addressed, as usual at Oxyrhynchus in such cases, to the βιβλιοφύλακες, by Dionysous, a freedwoman, requesting that her son, who had reached the age of 13, might be placed on the list of privileged persons who paid a poll-tax of only 12 drachmae, and stating the grounds of the claim. The evidence of this papyrus was utilized by us in a discussion of the whole question of ἐπίκρισις in P. Oxy. II. pp. 217 sqq., to which the reader is referred. Since the publication of that volume the subject has been treated at length by P. Meyer (*Heerwesen der Ptolemäer und Römer*, pp. 109 sqq.), who however had not the Oxyrhynchus documents before him, and could only refer to them in an appendix (*op. cit.* pp. 219 sqq.), and by Wessely (*Sitzungsb. der Akad. der Wissensch. in Wien*, Bd. CXLII. ix), who gives an elaborate recapitulation of the evidence in the light of the Oxyrhynchus papyri. The results of the latter are on the whole in agreement with our own—more so indeed than he himself,

¹ The mutilated name of a deme at Antinoë on p. 72 (V. 1) is to be restored Γενε[ἀρ]χαιος, as is shown by a third century Oxyrhynchus papyrus.

owing to some misunderstanding of our position, appears to realize. That the general sense of *ἐπίκρισις* is 'examination,' 'decision,' requires no special demonstration, and the term of course is, as we remarked (P. Oxy. II. p. 220), a relative one. But in connexion with the poll-tax *ἐπίκρισις* and its cognates acquired a technical signification, being used of the process by which persons of a certain status were partially or wholly relieved of liability to that impost. P. Meyer however goes much too far in asserting that *ἐπικεκριμένος* implies total exemption from the poll-tax, a view which he somewhat perversely tries to maintain (*op. cit.* p. 231) in the face of our statement of the evidence derived from the present text. It is abundantly clear from ll. 9-10 and 31 below, that persons who enjoyed the privilege of paying less than the regular amount of the tax went through a process of *ἐπίκρισις*, and were just as much *ἐπικεκριμένοι* as those who were entirely exempt.

- Ἀδρίωνι καὶ Ζωίλῳ
 βιβλιοφύλ(αξι)
 παρὰ Διονυσούτος ἀπελευ-
 θέρα(ς) Διονυσίας Διονυσίου
 5 τοῦ καὶ Χρησίμου Διονυσίου(ν)
 ἀπ' Ὀξυρύγχων πόλεως
 μετὰ κυρίου Εὐδαίμονος Μενοίτ(ου)
 ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως. κατὰ
 τὰ κελευσθέντα περ(ὶ) ἐπι-
 10 κρίσεως τῶν (τρισκαίδεκαετῶν) εἰ ἐξ ἀμ-
 φ[οτ]έρων γονέων μητροπο-
 λειτῶν (δωδεκαδράχμων) εἰσὶν δηλῶ τὸν
 νῖόν μου Πτόλλιν Φάωνος
 τοῦ Πτόλλιδος ἀναγρα(φόμενον) ἐπ' ἀμ-
 15 φόδου Δρόμου Θοήριδος
 τοῦ Κμηλέμου ὡς λέγ(αι)
 προσβεβηκέναι εἰς τοὺς
 (τρισκαίδεκαετείς) τῷ διελθόντι 15 (ἔτει)
 Ἀδριανοῦ Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου
 καὶ γεγονέναι τὸν τοῦτου
 20 πατέρα Φάωνα Πτόλλιδος
 τοῦ Φάωνος μητρὸς Ἀθηνᾶς
 μητροπολίτην (δωδεκαδράχμων) δι' ὁμο-

- λόγου λαογραφίας ιγ (ἔτους)
 Ἀδριανοῦ Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου
 25 ἀμφόδου τοῦ αὐτοῦ, ὃν καὶ τε-
 τελευτηκέναι, καὶ τὸν τῆς
 σημαινομένης μου πατρω-
 νείσης Διονυσίας πατέρα
 Διονύσιον τὸν καὶ Χρήσιμον(ν)
 30 Διονυσίου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐ(τῆς) πόλ(εως)
 ὁμοίως (δωδεκάδραχμον) δι' ἐπικρίσεω(ς)
 ζ (ἔτους) θεοῦ Τραιανοῦ ἀμφόδο(ν)
 Λυκίων Παρεμβολῆς,
 ὃν καὶ τετ(ελ)ευτηκέναι ἐν
 35 ὑπερετέσιν, καὶ ὁμνύω
 Αὐτοκράτορα Καίσαρα Τραιανὸν
 Ἀδριανὸν Σεβαστὸν ἀληθῇ
 εἶναι τὰ προγεγραμμένα.
 (ἔτους) ιζ Αὐτοκράτορος [Καίσαρος
 40 Τρα(ια)νοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβ[αστοῦ
 Τῦβι ιγ. Διονυσοῦς ἀ[πελευ-
 θέρα Διονυσίας Διονυ[σίου
 τοῦ καὶ Χρησίμου ἐπι[δέδωκα
 καὶ ὁμώμεκα τὸν ὀ[ρκον.
 45 Εὐδαίμων Μενοίτου ἐπιγέ-
 γραμμαι αὐτῆς κύριος καὶ ἔγρα-
 ψα ὑπὲρ αὐτῆς μὴ εἰδύλης
 γράμματα.

2nd hand

- κατεχωρίσθη
 50 ἔτους ἐβ[δόμου καὶ δεκάτου

1. α of ἀδριανῶν corr. from ζ.

2. Second β of βιβλιοφυλαξὶ rewritten.

14. επ α

corr. from δρομ.

17. ιγ in (τρισκαίδεκαετείς) corr.

23. ιγ corr. from ιδ by the second

hand (?).

44. 1. ὁμώμεκα.

'To Hadrion and Zoilus, keepers of the archives, from Dionysous freedwoman of Dionysia daughter of Dionysius also called Chresimus son of Dionysius, of Oxyrhynchus, with her guardian Eudaemon son of Menoetes, of the same city. In accordance with the orders concerning the selection of boys 13 years of age when their parents on both sides are inhabitants of the metropolis rated at 12 drachmae, I declare that my son Ptollis son of Phaon son of Ptollis registered in the quarter of the Square of Thoëris (interlinear note "the Kmelemus (?) quarter, as he says") has reached the age of 13 years in the past 16th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord, and that his father Phaon son of Ptollis son of Phaon, his mother being Athena, was an inhabitant of the metropolis rated at 12 drachmae as shown by a uniform poll-tax list of the 13th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord at the said quarter, and is now dead, and that the father of my aforesaid patroness Dionysia (interlinear note "he does not agree"), Dionysius also called Chresimus son of Dionysius, of the same city, was similarly rated at 12 drachmae by the selection of the 7th year of the deified Trajan in the Lycians' Camp quarter, and died at an advanced age; and I swear by the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus that the foregoing statement is correct. The 17th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Tubi 13. I, Dionysous, freedwoman of Dionysia daughter of Dionysius also called Chresimus, have presented the declaration and sworn the oath. I, Eudaemon son of Menoetes, have been appointed her guardian and wrote for her as she was illiterate.'

10-2. It is noticeable that the further qualification specified in the parallel passage of 258, ἐπὶ τῷ αὐτοῦ ἀμφόδου, is here omitted. But not improbably the interlinear notes on ll. 15 and 28 have some reference to such a restriction.

15. The adscript added below this line by a different hand is a note by an official remarking some inconsistency between this statement of the ἀμφόδου in which Ptollis lived and his own assertions. The question had an important bearing on the consideration of the claims for exemption, for it appears from 258. 9 that a certain permanence of residence was required; cf. the previous note. A similar interlinear insertion occurs in l. 28 in connexion with the evidence on the mother's side.

22. δι' ὁμολόγου λαογραφίας: the meaning of this is obscure. So far as the present passage goes ὁμολόγος might here have its ordinary sense of 'corresponding,' the meaning being that the poll-tax list of the year referred to corresponded with the statement in the text that the father of Ptollis was a μητροπολίτης δωδεκάδραχμος. But this interpretation is not satisfactory in another case of the use of the phrase in B. G. U. 618. 13 ἐκ(?) μὲν ὁμολ(όγου) λαογραφίας ἄνδρες 8—for so no doubt the passage should be read on the analogy of the present papyrus—, which occurs in a list of individuals who were responsible for work on the embankments. The term ὁμολόγος is also applied to persons, when it perhaps has a technical signification:—e.g. B. G. U. 560. 20 γεωργοῦντες ὁμολογοὶ ἄνδρες, P. Brit. Mus. 259. 190-1 ἐπὶ τῷ αὐτῷ (the preceding list being specially concerned with the poll-tax) ἀνδ(ρες) χλ. .] ὅν ὁμολογοὶ ἄνδ(ρες) χλ. ., P. Brit. Mus. 260. 142-3 καὶ τῶι α (ἔτει) Οὐδεσσιανῷ αὐτὸ ξί(ων) καλ. .] σὺν τοῖς πατράσι ἐν ὁμολ(όγοις) ἀνελ(ημμένοι), and ὅντες ἐν ὁμολ(όγοις) (or ὁμολ(όγω)?) λαογρ(αφία) in a Vienna papyrus described by Wessely in his *Studien z. Palaeogr. und Papyrskunde*, I. pp. 9-11. Wilcken (*Ost. I.* pp. 253-5), who quotes Cod. Theodos. xi. 24. 6. § 3 *qui vicis quibus adscripti sunt derelictis et qui homologi more gentilitio nuncupantur ad alios seu vicos seu dominos transierunt*, supposes that ὁμολογοὶ were a particular class of cultivators; but though that explanation would suit B. G. U. 560. 20 it clearly cannot be brought into harmony with the passages in which ὁμολόγος is connected with λαογραφία. There is more to be said for Wessely's view, who supposes the ὁμολογοὶ to be domiciled strangers subjected to the poll-tax, and refers in support of his theory to

the extract from the Cod. Theodos. given above. This explanation would well accord with P. Brit. Mus. 260. 142-3 and the Vienna papyrus, in which Jews are concerned. But how is it to be applied to the ὁμολογος λαογραφία here, in which μητροπολίται δωδεκάδραχμοι figure? A better interpretation of ὁμολογος in all these passages has been suggested to us by Mr. Smyly, who would translate it 'assessed at the same rate,' i. e. in the present case at 12 drachmae. This explanation would account for the variations in the use of the term, the meaning of which is relative to the context in each instance.

26 sqq. This passage combines with B. G. U. 324 to show that slaves were placed on the same footing with regard to liability to the poll-tax as their masters; and we here learn that liberated slaves at least could even transmit their privileges to their children.

28. For the insertion above the line see note on l. 15.

35. ἐν ὑπερετίσιν: i. e. above the age of 60, when men ceased to be liable to the poll-tax. The word ὑπερετής appears to be not otherwise known.

479. CENSUS-RETURN.

20.5 x 6.9 cm.

A.D. 157.

An unaddressed notice from a woman, Demetrous, expressing the wish that her grandson should for the future be registered at her own house. The year in which this papyrus is dated was not a regular census-year; the document was therefore supplementary of a previous return, and necessitated by the change of residence on the part of the boy in question, who was now living with his grandmother instead of his parents.

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| Παρὰ Δημητροῦτος | 15 Ἀντωνίνου Κ[α]ίσαρος |
| Ἀμόιτος τοῦ Φιλο- | τοῦ κυρίου (ἐτῶν) η'. διὸ ἐ- |
| ξένου μετὰ κυρίου τοῦ | πίδωμι τὸ ὑπόμνη- |
| υἱοῦ Ἀμόιτος Ἀπερῶ- | μα ὡς καθήκει. (ἔτους) κ |
| 5 τος. βούλομαι ἀναγρα- | Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος |
| φῆναι ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἐ- | 20 Τίτου Αἰλίου Ἀδριανοῦ |
| πὶ τοῦ ὑπάρχοντός | Ἀντωνίνου Σεβαστοῦ |
| μοι μέρους οἰκίας | Εὐσεβοῦς Ἐπειφ' ε. |
| ἐπ' ἀμφόδου Δρόμου | 2nd hand. Δημητροῦς Ἀμόιτος |
| 10 Θοήριδος τὸν τοῦ | ἐπιδέδωκ[α. Ἀμόι]ς Ἀπε- |
| προγεγε(αμμένον) μου υἱοῦ Ἀμόι- | 25 ρῶτος ἐπιγέγραμμαι |
| τος υἱὸν Ὡρον μητ(ρὸς) | τῆς μητ(ρὸς μου κ)ύριος. |
| Ἡρακλοῦ(τος) Ἀρβαίθου ὄν- | Ἐρμῶν ἔγρα- |
| τα εἰς τὸ ἐνεστὸς κ (ἔτος) | [ψα . . . |

'From Demetrous daughter of Amois son of Philoxenus, with her guardian her son Amois son of Aperos. I wish that Horus, the son of my aforesaid son Amois and Heraclous daughter of Harbaitus, who in the present 20th year of Antoninus Caesar the lord is 8 years of age, should henceforth be registered at the house of which I own part in the quarter of the Square of Thoëris. I therefore duly present this memorandum.' Date, and signatures of Demetrous and Amois written for them by Hermon.

480. CENSUS-RETURN.

11.5 x 6.3 cm.

A.D. 132.

The concluding portion of a census-return (κατ' οἰκίαν ἀπογραφή) on oath, written in A.D. 132, but following the formula of the early first century Oxyrhynchus census-returns; cf. 255. The description of the writer's family and abode is lost; the property described consisted only of an uninhabited house.

ἐπ' ἀμφοδόν]

Μυροβ[αλάν]ον [οἰ]κ[ίαν] καὶ χρηστήρια
 πρότ(ερον) αὐ(τοῦ) πατρός μ[ο]ν κοινω-
 νικὸν πρὸς Κλέωνα Διονυσίου)
 5 καὶ ἄλλους εἰς ὃ [ο]ὐδεὶς ἀπο-
 γράφεται οὐδὲ καταγίνεται.
 καὶ ὁμνύο Αὐτοκράτορα
 Καίσαρα Τραιανὸν Ἀδ[ρ]ιανὸν
 Σεβαστὸν ἐξ ὑγι(ούς) καὶ ἐπ' ἀ-
 10 ληθ(είας) ἐπιδεδωκ(έναι) τὴν προγεγραμμένην) ἀπο-
 γράφην καὶ μήτ(ε) ἐπίξενον μήτ(ε)
 Ῥωμ(αῖον) μήτ(ε) Ἀλεξανδ(ρέα) μήτ(ε) Αἰγύ(πτιον)
 μήτ(ε) ἀπελεύθερον) μήτ(ε) ἄλλον
 μηδὲνα οἰκ(εῖν) ἢ ἀπογράψασθαι) ἔ-
 15 ξω τῶν προγεγραμμένων) ἢ ἔνοχος
 εἶην τῷ ὄρκῳ. (ἔτους) ις
 Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
 Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ
 Σεβαστοῦ Ἀθὺρ καθ.

2nd hand. 20 *Χαιρήμων Χαιρήμονος*
ἐπιδέδωκα καὶ ὁμώ-
μοκα τὸν ὅρκον.

2. ο of *μυροβ* corr. from β. 7. 1. ὁμνῶ.

‘(I register) in the Myrobalanus quarter a house and fixtures which previously belonged to my said father in common with Cleon son of Dionysius and others, in which no one is registered or lives; and I swear by the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus that I have honestly and truly presented the above return, and that neither stranger nor Roman nor Alexandrian nor Egyptian nor freedman nor any one else dwells or is registered in it except the aforesaid, or may I be liable to the penalties of the oath. The 17th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Athur 29. I, Chaeremon son of Chaeremon, have presented the return and sworn the oath.’

3. If α[ὐ(τοῦ)] is right, τοῦ seems to have been omitted.

9. ἐξ ὑγι(ούς): cf. P. Amh. 68. 33.

481. PROPERTY-RETURN.

15.5 × 9 cm.

A.D. 99.

This and the following papyrus are examples of the periodical returns of house-property similar to P. Oxy. 72, 247-50; cf. P. Oxy. II. pp. 177-9. It is noteworthy that 482 is dated in A.D. 109, or just ten years later than the present document; and there is thus evidence for a series of four general registrations of real property separated by periods of approximately ten years, namely those in A.D. 80, 90, 99, 109, while another occurred in A.D. 129; cf. 584.

[τ]ῶν ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγχων] πόλι[ως.
 ἀπογράφομαι οὕτως κατὰ
 τὰ π[ροσ τεταγμέ]να τὸ ὑπάρ-
 χον μοι εἰς τὴν] ἐ[ν]εστῶσ[αν
 5 ἡμέ[ρ]αν ἐν τῇ μητροπ[όλει
 ἐπ' ἀμφόδου . . . Δρόμου Σ[α-
 {Σα}ράιδος οτου ἡμι-
 σν μέρος οἰκίας καὶ αἰθρίου
 καὶ ἐτέρων χρηστηρίων καὶ

τοῦ ἐνάτου ἔτους Δομιτιανοῦ
 ἀπογραφῆς ἐπ' ἐμοὶ μόνῳ
 ὑἱῷ καὶ κληρονόμῳ. (ἔτους) β
 Αὐτοκράτορος] Καίσαρος
 20 Νερούα Τραιανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ
 Γερμανικοῦ μηνὸς Καισαρείου
 ἐπαγο(μένων) δ. (2nd hand?) Ἑρᾶς Ἑρᾶτος τοῦ
 Ἑρᾶτος ἐπιδέδωκα τὴν
 ἀπογραφὴν. Ἀμοιτᾶς Τρωίλ(ου)

10 εἰσόδων καὶ ἐξόδων κατη-
 γηκὸς εἰς με ἐξ ὀνόματος
 τοῦ πατρὸς μου Ἡρᾶτος τοῦ
 Ἡρᾶτος μητρὸς Τνεφερῶ-
 [τ]ος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως
 15 τετελε[υτηκότη]ος πρὸ τῆς

25 ἔγραψα ὑπὲρ αὐτοῦ μὴ εἰδότης
 γράμματα. (ἔτους) β Αὐτοκράτορος
 Καίσαρος Νεροῦ[α Τρα]ιανοῦ
 Σεβαστοῦ Γερμανικοῦ μη(νὸς) Καισαρείου
 ἐπαγο(μένων) δ.

8. αἰ of αὐθριου corr. from ε.

15. Second τ of τετελε[υτηκότη]ος corr. from λ.

2-29. 'I hereby register in accordance with the decree the half-share belonging to me at the present date at the metropolis in the quarter of the Square of Sarapis . . . of a house and yard and other fixtures and entrances and exits, which share has devolved upon me from my father Heras son of Heras and Tnepheros, of the same city, who died before the registration of the 9th year of Domitian, leaving me his only son and heir.' Date and signature of Heras written for him by Amoitas.

6-7. The scribe apparently thought that the letters Σα at the end of l. 6 were not sufficiently clear, and so rewrote them in the margin of l. 7. The word before ἡμῶν is very probably νότον. θεοῦ μεγίστου is hardly possible, and that formula is moreover unusual in reference to a δρόμος.

15-17. πρὸ τῆς . . . ἀπογραφῆς: the implication is that the property had been registered in the 9th year of Domitian (A.D. 90) in the name of the son; and we may also infer that no general registration had intervened between that occasion and the date of this papyrus. Cf. on the latter point 248. 32, where there is a similar mention of the ἀπογραφὴ of the year 63-4 in a return of A.D. 80; though the conclusion that no general registration had occurred between those two dates is in that case more doubtful.

482. PROPERTY-RETURN.

23.5 × 6.7 cm.

A.D. 109.

A return of property, probably addressed to the βιβλιοφύλακες, written ten years later than the preceding papyrus. Cf. 636 and 637, which are similar returns made probably in the same year, and 481 introd. On the *verso* in a different hand is a list of persons with their respective fathers', grandfathers', and mothers' names, headed Ψύθθεως κά(τοικοι?).

χωρὶς ὧν ἀπεγραψά-
 μην καὶ πέπρακα
 καὶ νῦν ἐπὶ τοῦ παρόν-

μαίου μητρὸς Τέ-
 25 κώσιος Ἀρθωάνιος
 ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλε-

5 τος τὸ ὑπάρχον μοι
 ἐν κώμῃ Σενεμε-
 λεὺ τρίτον μέρος με-
 ρῶν δύο ἀπὸ μερῶν
 τεσσάρων ὄντων
 ἀπὸ μερῶν πέντε
 10 κοινωνικῆς οἰκίας
 καὶ τῆς προσούσης
 ἐκ τοῦ ἀπὸ νότου
 μέρους αὐλῆς καὶ ἐτέ-
 ρων χρηστηρίων καὶ
 15 εἰσόδων καὶ ἐξό-
 δων καὶ τῶν συν-
 κυρόντων ὄντων
 ἐν ἱππικῷ σταθμῷ,
 κατηντηκὸς εἰς με
 20 ἅμα ἄλλοις ἐξ ὀνόμα-
 τος τοῦ πατρός μου
 Διογένους Πτολε-
 μαίου του Πτολε-

5 ως τετελευτηκό-
 τος ἀκολουθῶς
 ἦ περιῶν ἔθετο
 30 διὰ τοῦ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ
 πόλει ἀγορανομεί-
 ου τῷ Τῦβι μηνι
 τοῦ πρώτου ἔτους
 θεοῦ Νερούα διαθή-
 35 κη, ἐφ' ἣ καὶ ἀμετα-
 θέτῳ ἐτελεύτα.
 καὶ ὀμνῶ Αὐτοκράτορα
 Καίσαρα Νερούαν
 Τραιανὸν Σεβαστὸν
 40 Γερμανικὸν Δακικὸν
 μὴ ἐψεῦσθαι. (ἔτους) ιβ
 Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
 Νερούα Τραι(α)νοῦ Σεβαστοῦ
 Γερμανικοῦ Δακικοῦ
 45 Τῦβι ιη.

'(I register), apart from what I have previously registered and sold, now at the present time the third share which belongs to me at the village of Senemeleu of two shares out of four shares out of five shares of a joint house and the court adjoining it on the south side and other fixtures and entrances and exits and appurtenances, situated in a cavalry soldier's quarters, which share has devolved upon me with other property from my late father Diogenes son of Ptolemaeus son of Ptolemaeus, his mother being Tekosis daughter of Harthoönis, of the said city, in accordance with the will which he drew up in his lifetime through the record-office at the said city in the month Tubi of the first year of the deified Nerva, which will was unchanged at his death. And I swear by the Emperor Caesar Nerva Trajanus Augustus Germanicus Dacicus that I have given no false information.' Date.

2. καὶ πέπρακα: the point of this is that when land was about to be alienated, notice had to be given to the βιβλιοφύλακες; cf. 483 and 237. viii. 37, note.

6-9. This passage is a good illustration of the minute subdivision of house and land property, the fraction of the whole house owned by the writer being only $\frac{2}{5}$.

18. ἐν ἱππικῷ σταθμῷ: cf. 506. 24, where a ἱππικὸς κλῆρος is mentioned (on the distinction between σταθμός and κλῆρος see P. Tebt. I. p. 45), and 504. 9, where ἐκ τοῦ ἱππικοῦ followed probably by some word like λογιστηρίου occurs. These instances show

that the old military organization of *κάτοικοι* in the Fayûm (cf. P. Tebt. I. pp. 545 sqq.) still survived to some extent in the Roman period; cf. P. Meyer, *Heerwesen*, p. 106 and note on 483. 5.

483. APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO MORTGAGE.

24.3 × 10.7 cm.

A.D. 108.

An application, addressed to the *βιβλιοφύλαξ* by a certain Achilles, of a similar character to B. G. U. 184 and 379 and P. Brit. Mus. 299 and 300; cf. P. Oxy. II. p. 180, where part of this papyrus is quoted. There is however this difference between those documents and 483, that in them the applicant wished to part with his land, while here he apparently wished only to mortgage it; cf. l. 11 of the Florence papyrus published by Vitelli, *Athene e Roma* iv. 73 sqq., and 588. 483 is also noticeable for containing at the end a letter from the *βιβλιοφύλαξ* to the *agoranomi* authorizing the drawing up of the contract required.

[18 letters] μητρ[ὸ]ς Τυ[.]
 [12 „] . [.] . . διὰ τοῦ ἐα[ν]τοῦ . [.
 [.] ἱερέως Διδος καὶ Ἑρας καὶ
 [.] τὰς ὑπαρχούσας μοι περὶ κώ[μ]ην . . .
 5 [. . τῇ]ς ἀπηλ[ι]ώτου τοπ[α]ρχίας ἐκ τοῦ Ζην[ο]δώρου
 [. . . .] υ . . [. .] σεῖ κλήρ[ο]ν κατο[ι]κί[κ]

Vestiges of 5 lines.

12 τριάκο[ν]τα πο[ι]ήσασθαι ἕως πέμ[π]της [ἐπαγομέ-
 νων μ[η]ν[ὸ]ς Καισαρείου τοῦ δευ[τ]έρου [καὶ εἰκοσ-
 τ[ο]ῦ ἑτ[ο]υς Τραιανοῦ Κ[αί]σαρος τοῦ κυρεῖ[ου] τόκου
 15 δραχμιαίων ἐκάστης μνᾶς κατὰ μήνα ἀπὸ
 τοῦ ἐξῆς μηνὸς Φαρμουθι δν καὶ διορθώσω
 [ἐ]π[ὶ] συνκλ[ει]σ[ι] μῶ ἐκάστης δωδεκα[μ]ήνου,
 ἐπιδί[ο]μι [τ]ὸ ὑπόμ[η]μα ὅπως σὺ ἐπισ[τ]είλῃς
 τοῖς τῆς μητροπόλεως ἀγορανόμοις οὖσι
 20 καὶ μνήμοσι τελειῶσαι τὸν χρηματισμὸν
 ὡς καθήκει, καὶ [ὀ]μνύω θεοὺς Σεβαστοὺς
 καὶ τὴν Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Νερού[α]

Τραιανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Γερμανικοῦ Δακί[κοῦ
τύχην καὶ τοὺς πατρώους θεοὺς εἶναι
25 τὰς προκ[ε]ίμενας ἀρούρας εἰδίας μου καὶ
καθαρὰς ἀπὸ π[α]σης κατοχῆ[s] δημ[ο]σίας τ[ε]
καὶ ιδιοδι[κ]ῆς εἰς τὴν ἐνεστῶσαν ἡμέρα[ν].
[ἔτους] ἐνδεκάτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
Νερούα Τραιανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Γ[ε]ρ[μ]α[ν]ικοῦ
30 Δακί[κοῦ] Φαμενώθ Σεβαστῇ. (2nd hand) Ἀχιλλᾶς

Διδύμου ἐπεδέδωκα καὶ ὁμώμοκ[α] τὸν ὄρκον.
3rd hand. Σαραπίων ὁ σὺν Θέωνι βυβλιοφύλ[α]ξ ἀγορανό[μοις]
μητρ[ο]πόλ[ε]ως χα[ί]ρειν. ἔχει Ἀχιλλᾶς ἐν ἀπογραφῇ τὰς ἀρού-
ρας ἕξ, διὸ ἐπιτελεῖτε ὡς καθήκ[ει]. ἔτους [[ενδεῖ]]
35 ἐνδεκάτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Νερούα
Τραιανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Γερμανικοῦ Δακικοῦ
Φαμενώθ κθ.

3. ρ of ηρας corr. 13. δ of δε[υ]τερου corr. from τ. 18. l. ἐπιδίδω[μ]ι. 22. ν of
την corr. from σ. 27. First ι of ιδιοδι[κ]ῆς corr. from δ. l. ιδιωτ[ε]ῖς. 31. l. ἐπιδέδωκα.
34. ε of ἐξ corr. from ξ.

‘(To Sarapion, keeper of the public records, from Achilles. . . . Wishing to mortgage to) . . . through his . . . , priest of Zeus, Hera and . . . , the (6 arourae) of catocic land which I own near the village of . . . in the eastern toparchy in the holding of Zenodorus . . . (on condition that the repayment is made) by the 5th intercalary day of the month Caesareus of the 22nd year of Trajanus Caesar the lord, at the interest of 1 drachma for each mina per month dating from next month, Pharmouthi, which I will pay off at the conclusion of each twelvemonth, I present this application in order that you may instruct the agoranomi of Oxyrhynchus, who are also recorders, to execute the deed in the proper way. And I swear by the deified Augusti and by the Fortune of the Emperor Caesar Nerva Trajanus Augustus Germanicus Dacicus and my ancestral gods that the aforesaid arourae are my own property and free from all liability either public or private up to the present day. The 11th year of the Emperor Caesar Nerva Trajanus Augustus Germanicus Dacicus, Phamenoth *dies Augustus*. I, Achilles son of Didymus, have presented the application and sworn the oath.

Sarapion, joint keeper of the records with Theon, to the agoranomi of the metropolis, greeting. Achilles has the 6 arourae on the register. Execute the deed therefore, as is fitting.’ Date.

3. *ἱερέως Διὸς καὶ Ἡρας* καὶ . . . : very likely these deities are in a Graecized form the triad commonly worshipped at Oxyrhynchus, Sarapis, Isis, and Thôëris (e.g. 46. 8). Sarapis and Zeus were often identified (cf. Milne, *Journ. Hell. Stud.* 1901, p. 277), and Isis might well be identified with Hera, whose worship is rarely mentioned in Egypt (Milne, *l. c.* p. 289). Thôëris was perhaps identified with Athena; cf. 579.

5. Ζη[οδώρου . . . κλήρ[ο]υ: cf. 47. 18. Our contention (P. Oxy. I. p. 102) that the persons who gave their names to κλήροι were the original grantees has recently been disputed by P. Meyer (*Heerwesen*, p. 107), who wishes to make them the owners immediately preceding the actual ones. This view that e.g. ἐκ τοῦ Μενουτίου κλήρου (45. 10) means no more than τὰς πρότερον Μενουτίου is not only very unlikely in itself and ignores the preposition ἐκ which indicates that the Μενουτίου κλήρος was larger than the area in question, but it altogether fails to account for the following facts (1) the uniformly Greek character of the names, (2) the absence of women, (3) the frequent insertion of nationalities (e.g. Δημητρίου Μιλησίου 270. 17, |ου Λυδίου 265. 40; cf. 506. 24 Πτολεμαίου Πέρσου ἰππικοῦ κλήρου), (4) the common occurrence of the same κλήροι, e.g. that of Drimacus (250, 265, 344). On the other hand all these facts point to the Ptolemaic origin of the persons who give their names to κλήροι, which, seeing that the Ptolemaic organization of catœcic land still survived to some extent (cf. 482. 18, note), is in no way surprising.

30. Φαμενὸς Σεβαστῇ: probably the 29th; cf. l. 37, which was most likely written on the same day, and 289. i. 2. On ἡμέραι Σεβασταί see P. Oxy. II. p. 284.

(c) PETITIONS.

484. PETITION TO THE STRATEGUS.

17 × 4.3 cm.

A.D. 138.

A petition sent to the strategus by Pausiris, who had been accused of fraud by a certain Didymus, requesting that a copy of the present *libellus* should be served upon the son of the accuser in order to compel his attendance at the next sitting of the praefect's court (*conventus*). The papyrus follows nearly the same formula as B. G. U. 226 and P. Brit. Mus. 358, on the juristic aspects of which documents see Mitteis, *Hermes*, xxx. p. 572, and Wenger, *Rechts-historische Papyrusstudien*, pp. 106 sqq.

The praefect mentioned is Avidius Heliodorus, whose tenure of office is thus carried back to January 138, a circumstance which necessitates a reconsideration of the date generally assigned to the praefecture of Valerius Eudæmon; cf. note on l. 22.

In the upper margin is an insertion by a different hand, perhaps a number.

• ρ[.]
Ἀπολιναρίῳ στρ(ατηγῷ)
παρὰ Πανσίριος

χωρ ἔγγραπτον πα-
ραγγελίαν παραγέ-
20 νηται ὅπου ἐὰν ὁ

Πεσίριος ἀπὸ κώ-
 5 μης Σέφθα κατα-
 γινόμενῳ ἐν Ν[ε-
 μέροις. ἐπεὶ Δ[ιδυ-
 μ[ο]ς Ἀμόιτ[ο]ς δι-
 10 ἐσταλκέν μ[ο]ι ὡς
 ἐνεδρεύσαντι Δί-
 δυμον νίδν αὐ-
 τοῦ περὶ πυροῦ ἀξι-
 ῶ μεταδοθῆναι
 αὐτῷ τῷ νίῳ Διδύ-
 15 μῳ τοῦδε τοῦ ὑπο-
 μνήματος ἀντί-
 γραφον ὅπως ἔ-

κράτιστος ἡγεμὼν
 Ἀνίδιος Ἡλιόδωρος
 ἐπ' ἀγαθῷ τὸν νο-
 μὸν διαλογίζεται
 25 ἡ δικαιοδοτῇ καὶ
 προσκαρτερήσῃ μέ-
 χρι κρίσεως ἵνα
 φανῇ τὸ γεγονός.
 (ἔτους) κβ Αὐτο[κρ]άτορος
 30 Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ
 Σεβαστοῦ Μεχέιρ γ.
 2nd hand Πανσίρις Πεσί-
 ρ[ιο]ς ἐπιδέδωκα.

5. 1. καταγινόμενου.
 from δ.

24. δι. of διαλογίζεται corr. from μ.

33. ι. of ἐπιδέδωκα corr.

'To Apolinarius, strategus, from Pausiris son of Petsiris, from the village of Sephtha, living at Namera. Since Didymus son of Amoïs has delivered to me an accusation charging me with defrauding his son Didymus in connexion with some wheat, I request that a copy of this memorandum be served upon his aforesaid son Didymus in order that he may have a written notice and appear wherever his highness the praefect Avidius Heliodorus holds his auspicious court for the nome or administers justice, and that he may attend until the trial takes place so that the facts may be proved. The 22nd year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Mecheir 3. I, Pausiris son of Petsiris, have presented this memorandum.'

22. The earliest mention of Avidius Heliodorus as praefect has hitherto been in March A.D. 139 (cf. de Ricci, *Proc. Soc. Bibl. Arch.* xxiv. p. 64), and the previous year has generally been assigned to Valerius Eudaemon (40. 1; cf. P. Oxy. II. pp. 173-4), who was praefect about the end of Hadrian's reign or early in that of Antoninus. 484 now shows that Avidius Heliodorus was already praefect on Jan. 28, 138, and it is no longer possible to suppose that the date in 237. viii. 7 (ἔτους κβ θεοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Μεχέιρ κ, i. e. Feb. 14, 138) refers, as we suggested, to the proclamation of Eudaemon. This being so, it becomes practically certain that the date in 237. viii. 18 (ἔτους ι θεοῦ Αἰλίου Ἀντωνίου Ἐπεφ κδ) does, as is indicated by the arrangement in the papyrus, refer to the proclamation of Eudaemon, who was therefore praefect on July 18, A.D. 142. This conclusion produces a conflict between 237. viii. 18 and B. G. U. 113. 9, where if the editor's reading is correct Avidius Heliodorus is still praefect in the 6th year Pachon 21 (May 16, A.D. 143). But the reading of the crucial figure in B. G. U. 113. 9 is doubtful, and if γ be substituted for ε the whole difficulty is removed and Valerius Eudaemon takes his place between Avidius Heliodorus (A.D. 138-141) and Valerius Proculus (A.D. 145-7), being no doubt

identical with the Eudaemon who tried the case recorded in P. Cattaoui iii. 16-iv (*Bull. dell' Inst. di diritto Rom.* viii. pp. 155 sqq.; cf. our revised text in *Archiv.* III. 1), on the 3rd intercalary day of the 5th year of Antoninus.

485. NOTIFICATION TO THE STRATEGUS.

30.5 x 12 cm.

A.D. 178.

Copy of a notification addressed to the strategus by Serenus, a freedman, of the fact that he had brought before the archidicastes a claim for the recovery of a debt, and that that official had authorized the strategus to forward this claim, of which a copy is added, to the alleged debtor—a proceeding equivalent to a summons to appear for the trial of the case. Appended at the foot are the authorization of the strategus that the claim should be duly forwarded as desired, and a corresponding acknowledgement of receipt on the part of the defendant. Similar documents are B. G. U. 578 and 614, the legal aspects of which have been discussed by Mitteis (*Hermes*, xxxii. pp. 644 sqq.), and Gradenwitz (*Einführung in die Papyruskunde*, pp. 35 sqq.), and especially 888, the text of which admits of several improvements (see the notes below). The dispute in the present instance was concerned with a loan of 900 drachmae on the security of a female slave from Serenus to Sarapias, a woman living at Psobthis which we learn from this papyrus was the name of the metropolis of the Small Oasis (Bahriyeh). Cf. 592.

Θέωνι στρα(τηγῶ)
 παρὰ Σερήνου ἀπελευθέρου Ἀπολλωνιανοῦ Σαραπί-
 νος ἀπ' Ὀξύρυγχων πόλεως. οὗ ἐπόρισα πα(ρὰ) τοῦ καταλογί(υ)
 χρημ(ατισμοῦ) ἐστιν ἀντίγρ(αφον). Ἀντωνίνος ὁ καὶ Πούδης ὁ ἱερεὺς
 5 καὶ ἀρχιδ(ικαστῆς) Ὀξύρυγχέιτου στρα(τηγῶ) χ(αίρειν). τοῦ δεδομένου
 ὑπομνήμ(ατος)
 ἀντίγρ(αφον) μεταδοθήτω ὡς ὑπ(όκειται). ἔρρωσο. (έτους) ιθ Αὐρηλίαν
 Ἀντωνίνου)
 καὶ Κορμύδου τῶν κυρίων Σεβαστῶν Φαῶφι ζ. Σαραπ(ίων)
 [. . .] () . . . () [σ]εβ(ημειώμαι). Ἑφαιστιῶν ὁ κ(αὶ) Σαραπ(ίων) ἔγρα(ψα).
 Ἀντωνίνῳ τῶ καὶ
 Πούδεντι ἱερεῖ ἀρχιδικαστῇ καὶ πρὸς τῇ ἐπιμελείᾳ
 10 τῶν χρ[η]ματιστῶν καὶ τῶν ἄλλων κριτηρίων παρὰ

- Σερ[ήνου ἀπελ]ευθέρου Ἀπολλων(ιαν)οῦ Σαραπίωνος ἀπ' [᾽Ο]ξύρυγ-
 χω[ν πύλε]ως. ἐδάνεισα κατὰ δημόσιον χρηματισμὸν
 γεγραμ(μ)ένον διὰ τοῦ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ Ὀξύρυγχων πόλει μνημο-
 νείου τῷ διελθόντι ιη (ἔτει) μηνὶ Σεβαστῷ ια Σαραπιά-
 15 δι Πόδωνος τοῦ Ὡρου μητρὸς Θαήσιος ἀπὸ Ψώβθεως
 τῆς μητροπόλεως τῆς μικρᾶ[ς] Ὀάσεως ἀργυρίου δ[ι]ρα-
 χμὰς ἑνακοσίας κεφαλαίου τόκου δραχμιαίου ἐκάστης
 μνᾶς κατὰ μήνα τοῦ δὲ κεφαλαίου λ μηνὸς Καίσαρείου
 τοῦ αὐτοῦ [δ]ιελθόντος ιη (ἔτους), δηλωθέντος ἂν μὴ ἀπο-
 20 δῶ ἐν τῇ προθεσμίᾳ μένειν περὶ ἐμὲ καὶ τοὺς παρ' ἐ-
 μοῦ μεταλημφομένους ἀντί τε τοῦ κεφαλαίου καὶ ὧν
 [ἐὰ]ν μὴ ἀπ[ο]δοῖ τόκων τὴν κράτησιν καὶ κυρείαν
 τῆς ὑπαρχούσης αὐτῇ δούλης Σαραπιάδος [τ]όττε οὕσης
 ὡς (ἐτῶν) κε ἐφ' οἷς ἄλλοις τὸ δάνειον περιέχει καὶ αἱ ἐν αὐ-
 25 τῷ ἐνγεγραμμέναι περὶ τε δρασμοῦ καὶ θανάτου τῆς
 δούλης ἐπὶ τῇ ἐμῇ ἀσφαλείᾳ διαστολαὶ περιέχουσι.
 τῆς δὲ προθεσμίας διελθούσης καὶ τῆς ἀποδόσεως
 μοι μὴ γενομένης ἀξιῶ συντάξαι γράψαι τῷ τοῦ Ὀξύρυγ-
 χείτου στρ(ατηγῷ) ἐπιδοῦναι) τούτου ἀντίγρ(αφον) τῇ Σ[αρα]πιάδι ἔαν
 περιῇ, εἰ δὲ μή, κληρονόμοις
 30 [α]ῦ[τῇ]ς τελεί[ο]ις, ἔαν δὲ κα[ὶ] ἀφήλικ[ε]ς ὦσι, νομίμοις αὐ-
 τῶν ἐπιτρόποις ὧν τὰ ὀνόματα ἐπὶ τῶν [τό]πων δηλω-
 θήσεται, ἢν' εἰδῶσι καὶ ποιήσονται μοι τὴν ἀπόδοσιν
 ἢ εἰδῶσι χρυσόμε[νόν με] τοῖς ἀρμόζουσι περ[ὶ] ἐμβαδεί-
 ας νομίμοις ὡς κ[αθ]ήκει. (ἔτους) ιθ Αὐρη[λί]ων Ἀν[τ]ωνίνου
 35 καὶ Κομμόδου τῶν κυρίων Σεβαστῶν Φα[ῶ]φι . . .] σ[τ]ρ[α]τηγ(οῦ)
 σ[υ]ντάξαντος . . . [. . .] μετάδοσις ἐγ[ε]σ[τ] . . . τῇ
 [Σα]ραπιάδι ὡς κα[θ]ήκει. (ἔτους) ιθ Αὐτοκρατόρων
 Καيسάρων Μάρκου Αὐρηλίου Ἀντωνίνου καὶ Λουκίου
 Αὐρηλ(ί)ου Κομμόδου Σεβ[αστῶν] Ἀρμενικῶν
 40 Μηδικῶν Παρθικῶν [Γερμανικῶν] Σαρματικῶν
 [Μεγ]ίστων Ἀθῶν ιθ. [(2nd hand) Σαραπιὰς Πόδωνος
 [ἐ]σχον τούτου τοῦ ὑπομνή(ατος) ἀντίγρ(αφον). (ἔτους) ιθ
 Ἀντωνίνου καὶ Κομμόδου τῶν κυρίων

- Ἀυτόκρ[α]τόρων μ[η]νὸς Ἀθὺρ Μου-
 45 σαῖος ὁ καὶ Πανσεiriώ[ν] τοῦ ἐπιγέ-
 γ[ρ]αμμαι αὐτῆς κύριος ἀνέ . [.
 [ὕ]π[θ] τ[οῦ] στρατηγοῦ καὶ ἔγραψα ὑ[πὲρ] αὐτῆς
 [μ]ὴ εἰδυνεῖς γράμ[μα]τα.
 3rd hand Συρίων ὑπ[ὲρ] (ἡρέτης) μ[ε]τέδωκα τὸ ὑπό-
 50 μνη(μα) Σαραπιάδι ὥς [πρόκειται. (ἔτους) ιθ
 μ[η]νὸς Ἀ[θ]ύρ . .

In the left margin opposite l. 6 are three strokes (apparently not letters), and opposite ll. 10-15

- μετὰ κυ(ρίου)
 Εὐδαίμο(νος)
 χρ[η]ματίζοντος)] μ[η]τ(ρὸς)
 55 Ἱερῆς
 ἀπ' Ὁξυρύ(χων)
 πόλ(εως)

22. l. ἀποδῶ. 28. οξυρυγχε[ι]του Pap.; the second o apparently corrected. 29.
 επιδου(ναι) τουτου αντιγρ(αφον) added above the line. 55. ιερῆς Pap.

'To Theon, strategus, from Serenus, freedman of Apollonianus son of Sarapion, of Oxyrhynchus. Appended is a copy of the official response received by me from the record office. Antoninus also called Pudens, priest and archidicastes, to the strategus of the Oxyrhynchite nome, greeting. Let a copy of the petition which has been presented be served as follows. Good-bye. The 19th year of the Aurelii Antoninus and Commodus the lords Augusti, Phaophi 7. Signed by me, Sarapion. I, Hephaestion also called Sarapion, wrote (on his behalf). To Antoninus also called Pudens, priest, archidicastes and superintendent of the chrematistae and other courts, from Serenus, freedman of Apollonianus son of Sarapion, of Oxyrhynchus. I lent in accordance with a public deed, written in the record office at the said Oxyrhynchus in the past 18th year on the 11th of the month Sebastus, to Sarapias daughter of Podon son of Horus, her mother being Thaësis, of Psobthis, the metropolis of the Small Oasis, the capital sum of 900 drachmae of silver with interest at the rate of a drachma on each mina monthly, the capital to be repaid on the 30th of the month Caesareus in the same past 18th year, with the proviso that if she did not repay the money on the appointed day, instead of the capital sum and any interest that was not paid I and my assigns were guaranteed the possession and ownership of her slave Sarapias, then aged about 25 years, with the various conditions contained in the loan and the provisions therein written for my security concerning the flight or death of the slave. The appointed term having elapsed and the repayment not having been made, I request you to give instructions for a letter to be written to the strategus of the Oxyrhynchite nome to present a copy of this petition to Sarapias, if she is still living, and if not, then to her heirs being of age,

and if they are minors, to their lawful guardians, whose names will be ascertained on the spot, in order that they may be informed and may make repayment to me or else may know that I shall take the proper proceedings to which I am entitled for entry upon possession, as is right. The 19th year of the Aurelii Antoninus and Commodus the lords Augusti, Phaophi. The strategus ordered that a copy should be served in the proper manner upon Sarapias.' Date. (Signed) 'I, Sarapias, daughter of Podon, received a copy of this petition.' Date. 'I, Musaeus also called Pausirion, son of . . . , am registered as her guardian having been (appointed) by the strategus, and wrote for her as she was illiterate. I, Syrion, assistant, served the petition upon Sarapias, as aforesaid.' Date.

3. οὐ ἐπόρισα κ.τ.λ.: in B. G. U. 578 and 614 the formula used is οὐ παρεκόμισα ἀπὸ διαλογῆς δημοσιώσεως. In connexion with καταλογί(ν) here it may be noted that in B. G. U. 614 the copy of the petition to the ἀρχιδικαστής is headed γραφή καταλογί(ν)ει(ν), indicating the office where it was originally drawn up. In the present case the reply of the ἀρχιδικαστής to the petitioner seems to have been issued through the same medium.

7. The letter of the archidicastes is in B. G. U. 578 signed, as here, by two persons whose titles are not given; cf. B. G. U. 888. 4, where the corresponding signatory is the νομογράφος ἀγορᾶς.

28. μὴ γενομένης: so no doubt B. G. U. 888. 18.

29. τούτου ἀντίγραφον: the present papyrus is the actual copy made in accordance with this request, as is shown by the fact that the docket of the strategus (ll. 34-5) is in the same hand as the body of the text, as well as by the frequent abbreviations (cf. especially l. 1).

31. ἐπὶ τῶν [τύ]πων δηλωθήσεται: δηλωθῇ'σ'ετα' is similarly to be read after τόπων in B. G. U. 888. 21. In l. 8 of the same papyrus we should suggest] . . . ος τοῦ Μύστου. ὀφειλομένων, in l. 13 ἐπὶ or ἐφ' ὑπ' ἀλλάγμασι (cf. B. G. U. 86. 12, &c.), and in l. 26 Σεβ(αστῇ) for σεο(ημείωμαι).

33. ἐμβαθείας: cf. B. G. U. 101. 15-6 μὴ ἐξείναι δέ μοι λυτῶσαι μηδὲ ἐμβαθεύειν, and Etym. M. p. 334. 35 ἐμβατεύσαι καὶ ἐμβατεία· ἔστιν ἡ νυνὶ λεγομένη διὰ τοῦ δ ἐμβαδία, τὸ τὸν δανειστὴν ἐμβατεύσαι καὶ εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὰ κτήματα τοῦ ὑποχρέου ἐνεχυριάζοντα τὸ δάνειον.

34-5. In B. G. U. 578. 1 the corresponding formula is [Ἀμμόνιος στρ(ατηγὸς)] Ἀρσι(νοῦτου) [Ἡρ]ακλείδου μεριδ(ος) Ἡρωνι ὑπηρέτη. μετὰδ(ος) ἐνώπι(ον) ὡς καθήκ(ει) τοῖς προστεταγμ(ένους) ἀκολου[θως]. The present passage is more compressed, probably because the document as far as l. 41 is a copy of the original; cf. note l. 29. The word after σὺντάξαντος is perhaps ποι(εῖσθαι) and εἰς suggests ἐνεστῶση, but the reading is very doubtful.

44-7. The κύριος here associated with Sarapias is different from the person who acted in that capacity when the loan was contracted; cf. ll. 52 sqq. This circumstance explains the statement in ll. 46-7 that the second κύριος was assigned ἐπὶ τοῦ στρατηγού. For the competence of the strategus in the appointment of guardians cf. 56. 13-5, and the Geneva papyrus discussed by Eрман in *Zeitschr. d. Sav. Stift.* xv. 241 sqq. For some reason—whether from death or other cause—the original guardian of Sarapias was not available, and a new one therefore became necessary.

486. PETITIONS TO THE EPISTRATEGUS AND PRAEFECT.

34.5 x 26.7 cm.

A.D. 131.

This petition to the epistrategus, enclosing a petition to the praefect with his answer, is concerned with the same subject as 472. Dionysia and Sarapion had had a dispute concerning the ownership of some land which Dionysia claimed to have bought from Sarapion's father, while Sarapion asserted that she held it only on mortgage, combining his claim with a charge of poisoning against Dionysia's mother, Hermione. The matter came before the epistrategus Claudius Quintianus, who referred it to the praefect and ordered the rival suitors to proceed to Alexandria. Dionysia complied with his instructions, but not Sarapion; and after waiting some time in vain, she petitioned the praefect Flavius Titianus to give her permission to return home (ll. 18-36). To this the praefect replied by referring her back to the epistrategus, who by this time was Julius Varianus (ll. 37-8). Accordingly Dionysia wrote to him re-stating her case, and enclosing her previous petition and the answer to it; and reiterated her request for leave to return to Oxyrhynchus and for the case to be decided there. On the *verso* in a small cursive hand is the rough draft of another petition of Dionysia on the same subject, but too much obliterated for continuous decipherment.

Ἰουλίῳ Οὐαριανῷ ἐπιστρατήγῳ Ἐπτ[ὰ ν]ομῶν καὶ Ἀρσινοείτ[ου]
 παρὰ Διονυσίας τῆς Χα[ρ]ήμονος μητρὸς Ἑρμιό[ν]ης τῆς Χαίρήμονος τῶν
 ἀπὸ τῆς μητροπόλεως τοῦ Ὁξύρυγχέιτου νομοῦ. ἐνστάσης μ[οι] ἀμφι-
 σβητήσε-
 ως πρὸς Σαραπίωνά τινα Μ[ν]η[σιθέ]ου ὅστις ὁ ἡγόρασα κ[τῆ]μα ἀμ-
 πελι[κ]ὸν καὶ σειτικὰ
 5 ἐδάφη παρὰ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτ[ο]ῦ ἔτι ἀπὸ τοῦ ια (ἔτους) Ἀδρια[νοῦ]
 Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου ἀριθμή-
 σασα αὐτῷ τε τῷ πατ[ρ]ὶ [καὶ τῇ] δανε[ι]στῇ αὐτοῦ τὴν συμφωνη-
 θεῖ[σα]ν τιμὴν
 καὶ λαβοῦσα τὸν καθήκοντα τῆς ἀνῆς δημόσιον χρηματισμὸν ἔλεγεν
 ἐν πίστει
 με ἔχειν αὐτά, ἀκούσας Κλαύδιος Κвинτιανὸς [ὁ γενόμε]νος ἐπιστράτη-
 γος [ὅ]περ-

- έθετο ἐπὶ τὸν κράτιστον [ήγ]εμόνα. καίγω μὲν ἔκ[τ]οτε προσκατερῶ
 τῷ [τ]οῦ
- 10 ἡγεμόνος βήματι, τοῦ δὲ [ἀν]τιδίκου ἀνεπιστρεπτήσαντος καὶ μὴ παραγε-
 νομένου ἀνέδωκα τῷ [κρ]ατίστῳ ἡγεμόνι ἀναφ[ό]ριον οὗ ἀντίγραφ[ο]ν
 ὑπέτα-
 ξα ἐξιστοροῦσα τῇν εκ[.] . . τ[ο]ν πράγματος διάθεσιν καὶ ἀνέπεμψέ με
 ἐπ[ί] σὲ
 τὸν κύριον κριθησομένην. ἐπ[ε]ὶ οὖν ὁ ἀντίδικος [ο]ὐδὲ νῦν πάρεστιν ἡ
 δὲ [κα-
 τα]πορὰ ἐπέγει καὶ ἡ ἐπιμ[έ]λεια τῶν ὑπὸ τοῦ ποτ[α]μοῦ παρασευσρ-
 μένων
- 15 χρή[ε]ι μου τῆς παρουσίας[ς] ἀξιῶ ἐὰν δόξῃ σοι ἐπιτρέψαι μοι ἀναπλεῦ-
 σαι κρι-
 θησομένην ὑπὸ σοῦ ἐπὶ τῶν τόπων, ἧν ὧ εὐεργετημένη. διευτύχει.
 ἔστιν δὲ οὗ ἐπέδωκ[α] τῷ κρ[α]τίστῳ ἡγεμόνι ἀναφορίου ἀντίγραφον·
 [Τ]ίτῳ Φλαυνίῳ Τιτ[ί]αν[ῳ] τῷ κρ[α]τίστῳ ἡγεμόνι
 παρὰ Διονυσίας τῆς Χαιρήμ[ο]νος μητρὸς Ἑρμιόνης τῶν ἀπὸ Ὁξυρύγχων
 πόλεως.
- 20 Σαραπίων τις Μνησιθέου ἀπ[ὸ] τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἐπ[ί] Κλαυδίου
 Κυντ[ί]ανου τοῦ
 γενομένου ἐπιστρατήγου [τῶν] Ἑπτὰ νομῶν τῇ μητρί μου Ἑρμιόνης
 φαρμα-
 κείας ἐγκαλῶν καὶ περὶ ὑπα[ρχ]όντων τινῶν ἐλογοποίησατο ὡς ὑποστελλόν-
 των αὐτῷ ὧν ἐγὼ ἡ Διονυσία κατὰ δημοσίους ἡγόρασα χρηματι-
 σμοὺς ἀρι-
 θμήσασα τιμὴν αὐτῶν τ[ῷ] πατρὶ αὐτοῦ περιόντι καὶ δανεισταῖς τοῦ
 α[ὐ]τοῦ
- 25 πατρὸς παρ' οἷς ἦν τὰ δηλ[ο]ύμενα κτήματα ἐν ὑποθήκῃ κρατούμενα
 φάσκων κατὰ πίστιν . . [.] . ἐγγεγράφθαι, καὶ τὴν ὄλην ὑπόθεσιν ὑπερ-
 θεμένου τοῦ ἐπιστ[ρα]τήγου ἐπὶ σὲ τὸν εὐεργέτην τὴν μὲν μητέ-
 ρα μου συνέβη ἀποθανεῖν πρὸ τῆς δίκης, ἐγὼ δὲ ἔκτοτε ἐκ τῆς τοῦ
 ἐπιστ[ρα]τήγου ἐπιστολῆς[ς] μετὰ τοῦ Σαραπίωνος κελευσθείσα καταπ[λ]εῦ-
 30 σαι ἐνθάδε κατήντησα τ[οῦ] Σ[α]ραπίωνος μὴ ἐπιστραφέντος ὥστε κ[ατα]-
 πλεῦσαι. ἐπεὶ οὖν ἐνθάδ[ε] μοι διατριβούσῃ ἀπηνγέλη τὰ ἐμὰ πάν[τα]

ἐκ τῆς ὑπερβαροῦς ἀνα[βάσ]εως τοῦ ἱερωτάτου Νίλου ἀπολωλένα[ι]
 ἐποίκιά τε κ[αί] ἐδάφη καὶ χ[ώ]ματα, παρακαλῶ σε, ἡγεμὼν κύριε, [τ]οῦ
 ἀντιδίκου οὐδὲ νῦν παρόντος, ἐπιτρέψαι μοι ἀναπλεῦσαι ἵνα τὰ ἐ[μα]ν-
 35 τῆς δίκ[αι]α λάβω, μὴ σὺν τοῖς ὑπάρχουσί μου κἀγὼ λειμῶ συναπολῶμαι,
 [ὃν ὦ εὐεργετημένη.] διευτύχει. (ἔτους) ις Ἀδριανοῦ Καίσαρος Φαῶφι ιβ.
 [18 letters] ἔχει ἔντυχε τῷ ἐπιστρατήγῳ ἀποδοῦ-
 [σα 16 ,,]

11. 1st ο of -γενομενον corr. from α. γ of αντιγραφον corr. from δ. 22. 1. ὑποστέλλομένων?

'To Julius Varianus, epistrategus of the Heptanomis and Arsinoite nome, from Dionysia daughter of Chaeremon, her mother being Hermione daughter of Chaeremon, inhabitants of the metropolis of the Oxyrhynchite nome. A dispute arose between me and one Sarapion son of Mnesitheus, who with regard to a vineyard and some corn-land which I bought from his father as long ago as the 11th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord, having paid to his father himself and to a creditor of his the price agreed upon and having received the regular official contract of the sale, declared that I held this land on mortgage. Claudius Quintianus who was then epistrategus heard the case and referred it to his highness the praefect. Thereupon I attended at the praefect's court, and when my opponent paid no attention and failed to appear I presented his highness the praefect with a petition, of which I have appended a copy, narrating in full the state of the affair; and he sent me on to you, my lord, to have the case tried. Since my opponent even now is absent and the time for sowing is imminent and the repair of what has been swept away by the river requires my presence, I beg you, if it please you, to permit me to sail back and have the case decided by you on the spot, that I may obtain redress. Farewell. The copy of the petition which I presented to his highness the praefect is as follows:—

To his highness the praefect Titus Flavius Titianus from Dionysia daughter of Chaeremon, her mother being Hermione, inhabitants of Oxyrhynchus. A certain Sarapion son of Mnesitheus, of the said city, charged my mother Hermione before Claudius Quintianus, late epistrategus of the Heptanomis, with poisoning, and at the same time invented a claim with regard to certain property of which he said he was defrauded, but which I, Dionysia, bought in accordance with official contracts, having paid the price of it to his father when he was alive and to creditors of his said father who held the land in question on mortgage; and he asserted that it had been registered in security. The epistrategus referred the whole case to your beneficence, and it happened that my mother died before the trial, while I thereupon in consequence of the letter of the epistrategus ordering me and Sarapion to sail down to Alexandria presented myself here, but Sarapion has paid no attention to the instruction to sail down. Since therefore news has reached me while staying here that all my property has been lost through the excessive rise of the most sacred Nile, both buildings, lands, and dykes, I entreat you, my lord praefect, in the continued absence of my opponent, to permit me to sail back in order that I may obtain justice (there) and that I may not in addition to the loss of my property also perish of hunger, that I may obtain redress. Farewell. The 16th year of Hadrianus Caesar, Phaophi 12. (Endorsed) If this is true, petition the epistrategus, delivering (to him a copy of this).'

7. δημόσι[ον χρημα]τισμόν : i. e. the contract drawn up in the presence of officials at the registry office ; cf. 99. 2.

37-8. These two lines which contain the answer of the praefect to the petition may be restored on the analogy of e. g. P. Tebt. I. 43. 44 [Διονυσία. εἰ οὕτω]ς ἔχει ἐντυχῇ τῷ ἐπιστρατήγῳ ἀποδοῦ[σα τὸ ἀναφόριον].

487. PETITION TO THE EPISTRATEGUS.

12 X 11·5 cm.

A. D. 156.

A petition, written in very bad Greek, to the epistrategus from Nicias, who wished to be relieved of the duty of acting as guardian to two minors.

Στατιλίῳ Μαξίμῳ το κρατίστῳ

ἐπιστρατήγῳ

παρὰ Νικίου Ἀρπάλου ἀπ' Ὁξύρυχ[ων πό-
λεως. ὁ τῆς πόλε[ως] γ[ρ]αμ[μα]τεὺς Σερῆνος

5 ἐπ[ε]δ[ω]κέ με εἰς ἐπιτροπὴν ἀφελίκ[ω]ν υἱ[τ]ῶν
Δ[ι]ονυσίου Δωρίωνος ὄντας [ώ]ς αὐτῶν [εἰ]κο-
σι πέντε καὶ μητέ[ρ]α πρὸς γένους ἐκ πατρὸς
ἢ μητρὸς αὐτῶν ἄλλοτε ἐχόντων τοὺς ἐκ
{κ} τῆς συγγενίας αὐτῶν δυναμένους τὰ τῆς ἐπι-

10 τρ[ο]πῆς αὐτῶν διοικῆσε. ἐμοῦ τε καταβαρη-
θῆ[ν]τος ἐν ταῖς λιτουργίαις καὶ χραιώστου γενο-
μένου δέομε, κύριαι, ἐὰν σοῦ τῇ τύχῃ δώξῃ, κελεύσαι
τῷ στρατηγῷ αἰπαναγκάσε τὸν γραμματι τῆς πό-
λε[ω]ς ἀ[λ]λῶν ἀν[τ'] ἐμοῦ κατασταθῆναι τῇ τῶν ἀ-

15 φηλίκων ἐπιτροπῇ {ν} ὅπως δυνθῶ τῇ γε {γε} οργί-
α μου προσευκερῖν πρὸς [τὸ] δύνασθῆ με καὶ τὰ
ἐκ {κ} τῆς χρίας ἐν ἐμὸν ὀφλήματα ἀποδοῦναι
καὶ μὴ μεταναστή(η)ς με τῶν ιδίων τῆς ἱ[δ]ίας {γέ-
νομε} εἰ[τ]ν' ὦ εὐ {γ}εργετημένος. διευτύχει. ἔτους

20 εἰκοστοῦ Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τίτου Αἰλίου Ἀδριανοῦ Ἀντωνίνου)
Σεβαστοῦ Εὐ[σ]εβοῦς μηνὸς Ἀδριανοῦ ιη. Νικίας
[Ἀρπ]άλου ἐπι[δ]έδω[κ]α.

1. 1. τῷ. 6. 1. ὄνων [ὡ]ς ἐτών. 7. 1. μηδένα. 10. 1. διοικήσαι. 11. 1. χρεώστων.
 12. 1. δέομαι κύριε . . . δόξῃ. 13. 1. ἐπαναγκάσαι τὸν γραμματέα. 15-6. 1. γεωργία μου
 προσενκαίρειν . . . δύνασθαι. 17. 1. ἐμοί. 18. ἰδίῳ της ἑ[δ]ίας Παρ.

‘To his highness Statilius Maximus, epistrategus, from Nicias son of Harpalus, of Oxyrhynchus. The scribe of the city, Serenus, appointed me guardian of two minors, sons of Dionysius son of Dorion, aged about 25 years, who neither on their father’s nor on their mother’s side had any other persons who from ties of kinship could undertake the business of guardianship. Since I am weighed down by my official duties and have incurred debts, I request you, my lord, if it please your fortune, to instruct the strategus to compel the scribe of the city to appoint some one else in my place to act as guardian to the minors, in order that I may be able to attend to the cultivation of my property and be enabled to pay the debts to which I have become liable in connexion with my office, and that you may not make me an outcast from my property and home, so that I may obtain redress. Farewell. The 20th year of the Emperor Caesar Titus Aelius Hadrianus Antoninus Augustus Pius, the 18th of the month Hadrianus. I, Nicias son of Harpalus, presented this petition.’

1. Statilius Maximus is also addressed in B. G. U. 340, which document was written probably some years later than the 12th year mentioned in l. 5, since 487 is dated in the 20th year of Antoninus.

5. ἀφελίκων: that persons aged twenty-five should be still minors is rather remarkable, but cf. 491, where the testator provides that his sons should have a guardian until the age of twenty and should be unable to alienate their inheritance before the age of twenty-five (491. 6, note), and 495. 10.

18-9. The writer has confused two constructions μὴ μετανάστατος . . . γένωμαι (γενομέ) and μὴ μεταναστήσης με.

488. PETITION TO THE EPISTRATEGUS.

26.5 × 15.5 cm.

Late second or third century.

A petition from a woman whose home was in the Apollonopolite nome and who had bought some land in the Antaeopolite nome. The scribe of the local komogrammateus, the official specially concerned with the land-survey, had entered her purchase in the survey-lists at more than an aroura in excess of the correct amount, and the petitioner appealed to the epistrategus to set matters right. On the *verso* in a different hand is a message, probably written in the office of the epistrategus and apparently directed to a local official of the Antaeopolite nome, which calls attention to the petitioner’s claim. The petition has been gummed on to another document on each side; the beginnings of a few lines of the right-hand one are preserved.

Ἰουλίῳ Ἰουλιανῷ τῷ κρατίστῳ
 ἐπιστρατηγῷ
 παρὰ Σεμφίβιος Θορταίου μετὰ κυρίου

- τοῦ υἱοῦ Ψάιτος πρεσβυτέρου Λεμῶτος
 5 ἀπὸ κώμης Ἰβίωνος Νεμῶ τοῦ
 Ἀπολλωνοπολείτου κάτω τόπων.
 ἐώνημαι, κύριε, ἔτι πρὸ πολλοῦ χρόνου
 παρὰ Ἀπολλωνίου καὶ Διδύμου
 ἀμφοτέρων Ὀριγένους ἀπὸ Λύκων
 10 πόλεως σιτικὰς ἀρούρα[ς] πέντε
 τέταρτον ἐν κλήρῳ λεγομ(ένῳ) Διαγραφῆς
 ἐν πεδίοις Κρήκεως κώμης τοῦ
 Ἀνταιοπολείτου νομοῦ. Ἀρτεμίδω-
 ρος δέ τις γραμματεὺς κωμογραμ-
 15 ματέως τῆς Κρίκεως οὐκ οἶδ' ὅπως
 παρέγραψέν {η} μ[ι]ε πλέον τῆς
 ὑποστάσεώς μου ἐν ὅλῃ ἀρούρῃ μιᾷ
 καὶ πρὸς κατ' ἕτος κα[ι] ἐκ τούτου
 οὐκ ὀλίγην βλάβην ὑποφέρει με.
 20 κατὰ τὸ ἀναγκαῖον οὖν τοῦ ἀνθρώ-
 που ἐπικειμένου μοι κινδυνεύ-
 ουσα ἐνκαταλείψαι τῇ[ν] . . . ἵν
 προσφεύγω σοὶ τῶι κυρίῳ καὶ πάν-
 των βοηθῷ καὶ ἀξιῶ ἐάν σοι
 25 δόξῃ κελευσθαι τῶι τοῦ νομοῦ
 στρατηγῶι [τ]ὴν δέουσιν παραγρα-
 φὴν ὧν ἔχω ἀρουρῶν καθ' ἃς
 ἔχω ἀσφαλείας προνοῆσαι γεί-
 νεσθαι καὶ μὴ κακῶς με παρα-
 30 γράφεσθαι ὑπὸ τοῦ κωμογραμμα-
 τέως, καὶ γὰρ καὶ πέρυσιν πρὸς τού-
 τοις ἑτερά με κακῶς παρέγρα-
 ψεν, ἵν' ὦ βεβοηθημένη.
 2nd hand [Σ]ενφίβις Θορταῖον
 35 [μετὰ κυρίου Ψάιτ]ος πρ(εσβυτέρου) Λαμῶτος
 [ἐπιδέδωκα.]

On the *verso*

3rd hand

εἰς χεῖρας

Ἀνταιοπολίτου)

μέμφεται γραμματέα) κωμογραφ(αμματέως)

40 περὶ κακῆς παραγραφῆς,

ἀξιοῖ τὴν δέουσαν

παραγραφὴν γενέσθαι.

4th hand

μηδενὸς ἐπεχο(ένου).

1. τουλῶ τουλῖανω Pap. 3. Second α of *para* corr. from σ. 4. ψαῖτος Pap., α corr.
32. First ε of *παρεγραψεν* corr. from α. 43. μη corr.

‘To his highness the epistrategus Julius Julianus, from Senphibis daughter of Thortaeus, with her guardian who is her son Psais the elder, son of Lemos, from the village of Ibion Nemna of the lower toparchy of the Apollonopolite nome. I bought, my lord, a long time ago from Apollonius and Didymus, both sons of Origenes, of Lycopolis, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ arourae of corn-land in the holding called the Diagraphē in the lands of the village of Krikis in the Antaeopolite nome. But a certain Artemidorus, scribe of the komogrammateus of Krikis, somehow registered me as having more land than I actually possess by one whole aroura and more in each year, and in consequence inflicts much loss upon me. I am therefore compelled, since the man oppresses me and I am in danger of abandoning the (land?), to take refuge with you, the lord and helper of all, and I beg you, if it please you, to order the strategus of the nome to see that the correct registration is made of my land in accordance with the securities which I possess, and not to let me be falsely registered by the komogrammateus, for last year also he made other false entries in his register concerning me besides this, that I may obtain relief. I, Senphibis daughter of Thortaeus with my guardian Psais the elder, son of Lamos (*sic*), have presented this petition.

(Deliver) into the hands of () of the Antaeopolite nome. She accuses the scribe of the komogrammateus with making a false entry and requests the correct entry to be made . . .’

16. After *παρέγραψεν* the scribe began to write a word commencing *ἡμι*, either *ἡμῖν* or *ἡμῶν*, but changed it to *με* without, however, erasing the initial *η*.

17. *μῖα καὶ πρῶς*: cf. 68. 24, P. Amh. 79. 32, &c.

22. Neither *γῆν*, *οἰκίαν* nor *κτῆσιν* suits the vestiges and spacing.

37. The name of an official would be expected, but nothing is lost after *εἰς χεῖρας*.

43. The relation of this line to the preceding is not clear. Above the ε of *μηδενός* is what looks like ο, as if the scribe had first written *μυδῶ*. The doubtful π of *ἐπεχο(ένου)* may be ν; but perhaps *μηδενός ἐπε(ρ)χομ(ένου)* ‘if no one objects’ should be read.

(d) WILLS.

489. WILL OF DIONYSIUS.

35.5 × 24.2 cm.

A.D. 117.

Will of Dionysius son of Harpocraton. The testator bequeaths to his wife Diogenis an apartment rent-free in a house belonging to him, together with the furniture of the whole house and his slaves. After the death of Diogenis the whole property is vested in their son, who presumably was to inherit during his mother's lifetime whatever was not expressly reserved for her, though this is not definitely stated. The papyrus is dated in the reign of Trajan, and the number of the year, which is lost, can be fixed by the occurrence of the title Parthicus, which was assumed by that emperor in his 20th year. On Aug. 27, when the papyrus was written, Trajan had, as a matter of fact, been dead about three weeks. This and the following wills, except 494, are written across the fibres of the papyrus; cf. 583, 634, and 646-52. The seals of the testator and witnesses were attached to the outside of the roll, but these have not been preserved; cf. P. Tebt. I. 104 introd.

[Ἔτους εἰκοστοῦ Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Νερούα Τραιανοῦ Ἀρίστου Σε-
 βαστοῦ Γερμανικοῦ Δακικοῦ Παρθικοῦ μηνὸς Καισαρεῖ[ο]ν ἐπαγο-
 (μένων) δ Σεβα(στῆ),

[ἐν Ὁξύρυγχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος, ἀ]γαθῇ τύχη.

[τάδε διέθετο νοῶν] καὶ φρο[ν]ῶν Διονύσιος Ἀρποκρατίωνος τοῦ Σαραπίωνος
 μητρὸς Ἐσορσώιτος ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγχων πόλεως ἐν ἀγνιᾷ.

[ἐφ' ὃν μὲν περίειμι] χρόνον τῶν ἰδίω[ν] κύριον εἶναι καὶ χρᾶσθαι καὶ
 οἰκονομεῖν περὶ αὐτῶν καὶ μεταδιατίθεσθαι καθ' ὃν ἐὰν αἰρῶμαι

5 [τρόπον. μετὰ δὲ τελευτῇ μου] συνχωρῶ ἔχειν τὴν συνοῦσάν μοι γυναῖκα
 Διογενίδα Πτολεμαίου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἐφ' ὃν περὶ-

[εστί χρόνον ἐνοίκησιν καὶ] χρήσιν χωρὶς ἐνοικίου οἴκο[υ] ἐνδὸς οὗ ἐὰν
 αὕτῃ αἰρῇται ἀφ' ἧς ἔχω ἐπ' ἀμφόδου βορρᾷ Κρηπίδος

[λιθίνης οἰκίας σὺν ἐξόδῳ καὶ] εἰ[ς]σόδῳ, ἥτις καὶ ἔξει χρήσιν ἐφ' ὃν περὶ-
 εστί χρόνον τῶν ὑπ' ἐμοῦ ἀπολειφθησομένων ἐν τε τῷ

[αὐτῷ οἴκῳ καὶ ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ σκευῶν καὶ ἐπίπλων καὶ δουλείαν καὶ
 ἀποφορὰς τῆς δούλης μου Ἰλαροῦτος καὶ τῶν ἐξ αὐτῆς

- [ἐκγόνων τρεφομένων καὶ ἱματ]ιζομένων ὑπ' αὐτῆς τῆς Διογενίδος. μετὰ
 δὲ καὶ τὴν αὐτῆς τελευτὴν εἶναι τὰ πάντα μου
- 10 [μόνων τῶν ἐξ ἀλλήλων τέκν]ων, οἷς τέκνοις ἡμῶν οὐκ ἐξέσται τὰ ἀπ'
 ἐμοῦ εἰς αὐτοὺς ἐλευσόμενα ἐτέροις μερίζειν εἰ
 [μὴ μόνῃ ἐκάστῃ αὐτῶ]ν γενεᾷ καὶ μηδενὶ ἐξέστω τῷ καθόλου ἐπέρχεσθαι
 τῇ γυναικί μου Διογενίδι περὶ μηδενὸς τῶν
 [ἐν τῇ διαθήκῃ πάν]των ἢ ἀποτίνειν τὸν ἐπελ[ευσόμε]νον ἐπιτίμου δραχμὰς
 χειλίας καὶ εἰς τὸ δημόσιον τὰς ἴσας.
 [ἡ διαθήκη κυρία. (2nd hand) Διονύσιος Ἀ]ρπο[υ]χρατίωνος τοῦ Σαρα-
 πίωνος πεποίημαι τὴν διαθήκην καὶ συνχορῶ ἔχειν μετὰ τὴν
 [τελευτὴν μου· τὴν γυναικά μου] Διογενίδα Ποτολεμαίου ἐφ' ὃν περίεστι
 χρόνον ἐνοίκησιν καὶ χρῆσιν χορεῖς ἐνν-
- 15 [κίου οἴκου ἐνὸς οὗ ἐὰν αὐτὴ αἰ]ρῇται ἀφ' ἧς ἔχ[ω ἐν τ]ῇ βορ(ρ)ᾶ Κρη-
 πῖ[δι λ]ιθίνης οἰκίας ἐν ᾗ ἐξ[οδος] καὶ ἱσ[ο]δοῦ, ἥτις καὶ
 [ἐξέει χρῆσιν ἐφ' ὃν περίεστι χρ]όνον τῶ(ν) ὑπ' ἐμοῦ ἀπολιφθισομένων ἐν
 τῷ αὐτῷ οἴκῳ καὶ ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ σκευῶν καὶ ἐπί-
 [πλων καὶ δουλείαν κα]ὶ ἀποφορὰς δούλης μου [Ι]λαροῦ[το]ς καὶ τῶν ἐξ
 αὐτῆς ἐκγόνων τρεφομένων καὶ ἱματιζομέ-
 [νων ὑπ' αὐτῆς Διογενίδος.] μετὰ δὲ τὴν αὐτῆς τελε[υτὴν εἶ]ναι τὰ
 πάντα μου μόνων [τ]ῶν [ἐξ ἀλλ]ήλων τ[έ]κνων {υ}οῖς τέκ-
 [νοις ἡμῶν οὐκ ἐξέσται τὰ ἀπ' ἐ]μοῦ εἰς αὐτοὺς ἐλευσόμενα ἐτέροις μερίζειν εἰ
 μὴ μόνῃ ἐκάστῃ αὐτῶν γενεᾷ
- 20 [ὥς πρόκειται. εἰμὶ ἐτῶν . . οὐ]λ(ῇ) γόνατι ἀριστερῷ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ
 σφραγὶς Σαράπιδος. Ἑρακλῆς ὁ καὶ Ἀπίων Ἀπίωνος ἔγρα-
 [ψα ὑπὲρ αὐτοῦ μὴ εἰδότος γράμ]ματα, (ἐτῶν) λς οὐλ(ῇ) ποδὶ ἀριστερῷ.
 (3rd hand) Πλουτίων Βήσιος Διογένους τοῦ Ἀπολλωνίου ἀπὸ
 [τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τ]ῇ τοῦ Διονυσίου διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν
 τεσσεράκοντα πέντε οὐλ(ῇ) γόνατι δεξιῇ) κ[αὶ
 [ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς (4th hand) . .]χίων Λυκρίωνος τοῦ Ἑρμο-
 γένους ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ Διονυσίου διαθήκῃ
 [καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτῶν) . . οὐλ(ῇ) καὶ ἔ]στιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς Ἑρμ[ο]ῦ.
 (5th hand) Πέδων Καλλιστράτου τοῦ Ἀλεξάνδρου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς
 πόλεως μαρτυρῶ
- 25 [τῇ τοῦ Διονυσίου διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰ]μὶ (ἐτῶν) λς οὐ(λῇ) γόνατι δεξιῇ) καὶ

ἔστιν μ[ου ἡ σφραγίς] 'Ηλίου Ἀμμωνος. (6th hand) Ἀμμόνις Ἡρα-
κλείδου τοῦ Πτολεμαίου

[ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μ]αρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ Διονυσίου διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν
εἴκοσι πέντε οὐλὴ ὀφρύν

[δεξιᾶ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγίς] Ἀρποχράτου. (7th hand) Πανεχότης
Διονυσίου τοῦ καὶ Ἀμοινομερίου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως

[μαρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ Διονυσίου διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν τριάκοντα δύο οὐλὴ
ἀγκῶνι ἀριστερῶ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγίς

[22 letters 8th hand]ον τοῦ Ἡρακλείδου μητρὸς Διονυσίας τῆς καὶ Σαμ-
βοῦτος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ

30 [τῇ τοῦ Διονυσίου διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ] (ἐτῶν) λε ἄσημος καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ
σφραγίς] Ἡρακλέους.

[9th hand μν]ημονείου Ὁξύρυχ(ων) πόλ(εως)

(ἔτους) κ Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Νερούα Τραιανοῦ Ἀρίστου Σεβαστοῦ
Γερμανικοῦ Δακικοῦ Παρθικοῦ ἐπαγο(μένων) δ Σεβασ(τη).

διαθήκῃ Διονυσίου Ἀρποκρατίωνος τοῦ Σαραπίωνος) μητρὸς Ἐσσορσόιτος
ἀπ' Ὁξύρυχ(ων). πόλ(εως).

On the verso

(ἔτους) κ Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Νερούα Τρ]αιανοῦ Ἀρίστου Σεβαστοῦ

[Γερ]μ[α]ν[ι]κοῦ

35 Δακικοῦ Παρθικοῦ Καισαρείου ἐπαγο(μένων) δ Σ[ε]β[α]σ[τ]ῆ

[δι]α-

θ[ῆ]κ[η] Διονυσίου Ἀρποκρατ[ί]ωνος τοῦ Σ[α]ραπίωνος

[μητ]ρ[ος] Ἐσσορσόιτος ἀπ' Ὁξύρυχ(ων) πόλ(εως).

8. Παρουτος Pap. 12. Ἰσας Pap.
Ἰσοδος Pap. 17. ἱματισμοῦ Pap.
σαμβουτος corr. from απρ.

13. l. συγχωρῶ. 14. l. χωρὶς ἐνοικίου. 15.
24. Final σ of σφραγίς corr. 29. σα of

'The 20th year of the Emperor Caesar Nerva Trajanus Optimus Augustus Germanicus Dacicus Parthicus, the 4th intercalary day, *dies Augustus*, of the month Caesareus, at the city of Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid, for good fortune. This is the will, made in the street, by me, Dionysius son of Harpocration son of Sarapion, my mother being Esorsois, of Oxyrhynchus, being sane and in my right mind. So long as I survive I am to have power over my own property, to use it and make any arrangements or other dispositions concerning it in any manner I choose. But after my death I concede to my wife Diogenis daughter of Ptolemaeus, of the same city, for her lifetime the right to dwell

in and use free of rent any one abode which she herself may choose in the stone house belonging to me in the North Quay quarter with exit and entrance. She shall also have the use for her lifetime of the effects and furniture left by me in the said abode and in the house and the service of and the profits from my female slave Ilarous and her children who are to be fed and clothed by the said Diogenis. After her death all my property shall belong solely to our children, which children shall not have the power to alienate what is inherited by them from me except only to their several families; nor shall any one be permitted under any circumstances to proceed against my wife Diogenis concerning any of the provisions of the will, and the person who does so shall forfeit a fine of 1000 drachmae and to the Treasury an equal sum. This will is valid.' There follow (1) the signature of the testator giving a nearly verbal recapitulation of the substance of the will, and written for him by Heracles son of Apion, (2) the signatures of six witnesses who add as usual particulars as to their ages, personal descriptions and seals, (3) the docket of the record office at Oxyrhynchus, and (4) on the *verso* the title of the will.

1. ἐπαγο(μένων) δ Σεβα(στῆ): it may be noted that the same day is not called Σεβαστή in 481. 22 and 29, written in the 2nd year of this reign. In 380 (reign of Titus) the 6th intercalary day is Σεβαστή.

31. From 634 it appears that nothing is lost before μνημονείου.

490. WILL OF TASTRATON.

Height 16.5 cm.

A. D. 124.

Will of a woman named Tastraton, who bequeaths her property, consisting chiefly of a share of a house, to the son of a freedman. In the event of his dying childless and intestate, the property was to revert to the family of the testatrix.

The right-hand part of the papyrus is missing, but the amount lost at the ends of lines can be approximately determined, and though the lacunae are large they are mostly capable of satisfactory restoration. The supplement in l. 16 is practically certain, and on this basis the number of letters lost at the ends of ll. 2-7, where the hand is much smaller, is about sixty-five, the tear down the papyrus being, as far as l. 19, in a nearly straight vertical line.

1 Ἐτους ἐνάτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριαν[οῦ Σεβαστο]ῦ
Χοίαχ ε, ἐν Ὁξυρύχων [πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος, ἀγαθῇ τύχῃ.

2 τὰδε διέθετο ν[ο]οῦσα καὶ φρονοῦσα Ταστράτων Ψενοσίριος τοῦ [Ἀτρέως]
μητρὸς Πενύριος ἀπ' Ὁξυρύχων πόλεως μετὰ κυρίου τοῦ ἀνεψιοῦ
μου 27 letters μητρὸς

- 3 Τααμίτος Ζωίλου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἐν ἀγνίᾳ. ἐφ' ὃν μὲν περιέειμι χρόνον ἔχειν με τὴν κατὰ [τῶν ἰδίων ἐξουσίαν ὃ ἐὰν βούλωμαι ἐπιτελεῖν καὶ μεταδιατίθεσθαι καὶ πρὸς ἀκύρωσιν
- 4 ἄγειν τήνδε τὴν διαθήκην. ἐὰν δὲ ἐπὶ ταύτῃ τελευτήσω καταλ[είπω κατ'] ἀφιλοστοργίαν Διονυσίῳ Πανε[χάτου ἀπελευθέρου Πετοσίριος μητρὸς Ἀμμωνούτος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐ-
- 5 τῆς πόλεως νυνεὶ ἀφήλικι ἐὰν ζῇ, εἰ δὲ μή, τῇ τού(του) γενεᾷ, τὸ ὑπάρ[χον μοι ἐ]ν κώμῃ Κριεθύρει τῆς πρὸς [. . . τοπαρχίας μέρος κοινωνικὸν πρὸς πατέρα μου Ψενοσίρην Ἀτρώως μητρὸς
- 6 Σπόκξως οἰκίας καὶ αὐλῆς καὶ εἰσβ[δ]ων καὶ ἐξόδων καὶ ἃ ἐὰν ἄλλ[α ἀπολίπ]ω πάντα καθ' ὀνδηποτοῦν τ[ρόπον]. ἐὰν δὲ συμβῇ τὸν Διονύσιον ἄτεκνον καὶ ἀδιάθετον τελευτήσαι πεμφθήσεται
- 7 τὰ ἀπ' ἐμοῦ εἰς αὐτὸν ἔλευσόμενα [εἰ]ς τοὺς ἑγγιστά μου γένους ὄντας. ἀλλ[α] δὲ οὐδενὶ οὐδὲν τῶν ἐμ[ῶν] καταλείπω. ἡ διαθήκη κυρία.
- 8 2nd hand Ταστράτων Ψενοσ[ί]ριος τοῦ Ἀτρώ[ς] πεπο[ί]ημαι τὴν διαθή[κην] καὶ καταλείπω μετὰ τὴν τελευτὴν Διονυσίῳ Πα-
- 9 νεχάτου ἀπολευθέρ[ου] Πετοσίριος μη[τρὸς] Ἀμμωνούτος ἀ[φ]ήλικι τὸ ἐν Κριεθύρει μέρος κοινωνικὸν πρὸς
- 10 πατέρα μου οἰκίας κα[ὶ] αὐλῆς καὶ ἃ ἐὰν ἄ[λλα] ἀ[πο]λίπω πάντα. [ἐὰν δὲ ὁ Διονύσιος ἄτεκνος καὶ ἀδιάθετος τελευτήσῃ
- 11 πεμφθήσεται τὰ ἀπ' ἐμοῦ εἰς αὐτὸν ἐλ[ευσόμε]να εἰς τοὺς ἑγγιστα μου γένους ὄντας ὡς πρόκειται. εἰμὶ ἐτῶν . . οὐ-
- 12 λῇ βραχείονι δεξιῷ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφ[ραγίς] δρακο(ντό)μορφος [22 letters ἐπιγέγραμμαι τῆς ἀνε-
- 13 ψιάς μου κύριος καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν λ οὐλῇ [κατὰ] μηρὸν ἀριστερόν. 28 letters ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς
- 14 πόλεως ἔγραψα ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν μὴ εἰδόντων γ[ράμματα] καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν 34 letters 3rd hand
- 15 τοῦ Ἀπολλωνίου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ [τῇ τῆς] Ταστράτωνος διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν 10 letters καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγίς
- 16 Ἀρποχράτου ὀρθοῦ. (4th hand) Ἀρίστων Ἀρτεμιδώρου τοῦ . . .]νος ἀπ[ὸ] τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τῆς Ταστράτωνος διαθήκῃ καὶ
- 17 εἰμὶ ἐτῶν ν οὐλῇ γ[ό]ρατι δεξιῷ καὶ [ἔστι]ν ἡ σφραγίς Κρ[ι] 16 letters 5th hand ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυ-

- 18 ρῶ τῇ τῆς Τ[ασ]τράτωνος [δι]αθήκη καὶ εἰμι (ἐτῶν) γ[. οὐλ]ῇ ὑπ[ὸ] γένειον
 δεξιῶν καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς (6th hand) τοῦ
 19 Σαραπί[ω]ρος μαρτυρῶ [τ]ῇ τῆς Ταστράτω[νος] διαθήκη καὶ εἰμι ἐτῶν
 καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς
 20 (7th hand) Ἀπίων . . . [. . .] τοῦ Ἀπίωνος ἀ[πὸ] τῆς [αὐτῆς] π[ό]λεως μαρτυρῶ
 τῇ τῆς [Ταστράτωνος] διαθήκη καὶ εἰμι (ἐτῶν) καὶ ἔστιν
 21 μου ἡ σφ[ρα]γ[ι]ς [. . .] . . . τ[. . .] (8th hand) . . .]ων Θέωνος [. μητρ]ῶς
 Θαΐδος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τῆς Ταστράτωνος διαθήκη
 καὶ εἰμι (ἐτῶν)
 22 καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ [σφ]ρα[γίς] Ἰσιδος.

1. ε after *χοιαχ* added later by the 2nd (?) hand. 2. πε of *πενυριος* over an erasure.
 4. Second ο of *φιλοστοργιαν* corr. from ρ. 17. 1. δεξιῶν. 22. ἰσιδος Pap.

‘The 9th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Choiach 5, at the city of Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid, for good fortune. This is the will made in the street by me, Tastraton daughter of Psenosiris son of Atreus, my mother being Penuris, of Oxyrhynchus, while sane and in my right mind, with my guardian my cousin . . . his mother being Taamois daughter of Zoilus, of the same city. So long as I survive I am to have power over my own property, to make any further provisions or new dispositions and to revoke this will. But if I die with this will unaltered I leave on account of his affection towards me to Dionysius son of Panechotes, freedman of Petosiris . . . his mother being Ammonous, of the same city, who is now a minor, if he live, and if not to his family, the . . . share belonging to me jointly with my father Psenosiris son of Atreus and Spokis in the village of Kriethuris in the . . . toparchy, of a house and court with entrances and exits, and all else that I leave in any manner whatsoever. If Dionysius happen to die childless and intestate the property devolving upon him from me shall be sent to my nearest relations; but to no one else do I leave any of my property. This will is valid.’ There follow the signatures (1) of the testatrix and her guardian, written for them by a third party, (2) of the usual six witnesses with details of their ages, distinguishing marks, and seals.

3. For the supplement at the end of the line cf. 492. 4.
 5. πρὸς [λίβα, or some other quarter.
 6. The supplement is taken from 105. 6.

491. WILL OF EUDAEMON.

22·7 × 39 cm.

A.D. 126.

Will of Eudaemon son of Thonasuchis bequeathing his property to his three sons. Two of the sons, who were at the date of the will not yet 20 years old, are placed under tutelage until they attained that age (cf. note on l. 6), and are also prohibited from disposing in any way of their inheritance before reaching 25 years.

- 1 Ἔτους δεκάτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ
μηνὸς Καισαρείου ἐπαγομένων ε, ἐν Ὁξυρύνχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος,
ἀγαθῇ τύχῃ.
- 2 τάδε διέθετο νοῶν καὶ φρονῶν Εὐδαίμων Θωνασύχιος τοῦ Θώνιος μητρὸς
Θάησιος ἀπὸ Ὁξυρύνχων πόλεως παστοφόρος Θοήριδος θεᾶς μεγίστης
καὶ Ἰσιδῆος . σ . ρ . . . [. . . καὶ τῶν ἄλλων θεῶν τοῦ
- 3 ἱεροῦ τοῦ ὄντος ἐν κώμῃ Μουχινάρ, ἐν ἀγνίᾳ. ἐφ' ὃν μὲν περιέμι
χρόνον ἔχων μ[ε] τὴν τῶν ἰδίων ἐξουσίαν ὃ ἐὰν βούλωμαι ἐπιτελεῖν
καὶ μεταδιτίθεσθαι καὶ ἀκυροῦν τ[ὴν] διαθήκην ταύτην
- 4 ὃ δ' ἂν ἐπιτελέσω κύριον ὑπάρχειν. ἐὰν δ' ἐπὶ τῇδε τῇ διαθήκῃ
τελευτήσω κληρονόμους ἀπολείπω τοὺς υἱοὺς μου Θῶνιν καὶ Ὡρον
καὶ Εὐδαίμονα τοὺς τρεῖς μητρὸς Τᾶ . . . [. . . Ἀρπαήσιος] τοῦ καὶ
- 5 Ὡρου ἐξ ἴσου ἕκαστον δ' αὐτῶν ἐὰν ζῇ, εἰ δὲ μὴ, τὰ τούτου τέκνα, ὧν
ἐὰν ἀπολίπω οἰκοπέδων καὶ ἐδαφῶν καὶ δουλικῶν σωμαμάτων, μόνον δὲ
τὸν Θῶνιν ὧν ἐὰν αἰρῇται [.] . . . παν-
- 6 τοίων πάντων ἐπὶ τῷ τὸν αὐτὸν Θῶνιν ἀποδοῦναι ἃ ἐὰν φανῶ ὀφείλων
χρεῖα καὶ δοῦναι τοῖς ἀδελφοῖς α[ὐ]τοῦ Ὡρῳ καὶ Εὐδαίμονι ἐὰν μὲν
ὦσι ἅμα τῇ τελευτῇ μου πεπ[λ]ηρωκότες εἴκοσι ἔτη μετ' ἐνιαυ-
- 7 τὸν ἕνα τῆς τελευτῆς μου, ἐὰν δὲ μὴ ὥσι τοσούτων ἑτῶν ἑκατέρῳ ὅταν
πληρώσῃ τὰ εἴκοσι ἔτη, δραχμὰς πεντακοσίας, ὥς εἶναι ἀμφοτέρων
δραχμὰς χιλίας, οὐκ ἐξόγτος [τοῖς αὐτοῖς Ὡρῳ καὶ] Εὐδαί-
- 8 μου οὐδ' ὀφτινιοῦν αὐτῶν τὰ ἐλευσόμενα εἰς αὐτοῦν ἐξ ὀνύματός μου
πωλεῖν οὐδ' ὑποτίθεσθαι [οὐ]δ' ἄλλως καταχρηματίζειν ἄχρῃ ἐκάτερος
αὐτῶν πληρώσῃ ἔτη εἴκοσι πέντε. ἐὰν δὲ] τελευ-

- 9 τήσω οὐδέπω πεπληρωκότων τῶν αὐτῶν Ὡρον καὶ Εὐδαίμων[ο]ς ἔτη
 εἴκοσι εἶναι τούτων ἐκατέρου ἄ[χρι πλη]ρώσῃ ἔτη εἴκοσι ἐπίτροπον
 τὸν τε ἀδελφὸν αὐτῶν Θῶν[ι]ν καὶ τὸν κατὰ μητέρα] πάπ-
 10 πον Ἀρπαῆσιν τὸν καὶ Ὀρ[ο]ν Θῶνιος. ἔαν δέ τινα τῶν τριῶν υἱῶν συμβῇ
 ἀτέκνῳ τελευτήσῃαι ἔστω τὸ τοῦτου μέρος τῶν περιόντων αὐτοῦ
 ἀδελφῶν ἐξ ἴσου, παρὰ δὲ ταῦτα μὴ [οὔσης μηδενὶ τῷ κα]θόλου
 11 ἐξουσίας παραβαίνειν τὸν δὲ παραβησόμενον ἀποτίνειν τῷ ἐνμένοντι τό τε
 βλάβος καὶ ἐπίτι[μον] ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς χιλίας καὶ εἰς τὸ δημ[ό]-
 σιον τὰς ἴσας, καὶ μηδὲν ἥσ[σον κύρια μένειν τ]ὰ
 12 προκείμενα. ἡ διαθήκη κυρία. (2nd hand) Εὐδαίμων Θωνασύχιος πε-
 ποιῆμαι τὴν [δια]θήκην κ[αὶ] κα[τα]λεί[πω] μ[ετὰ τὴν τελευτὴν κληρο-
 νόμους τοὺς
 13 υἱούς μου Θῶνιν καὶ Ὡρον καὶ Εὐδαίμονα ἐξ ἴσου ὧν ἔαν ἀπολί[πω]
 οἰκοπέδων καὶ ἐδαφῶν κ[αὶ] δούλ[ω]ν [σ]ωμμάτων [μό]νον δὲ τὸν Θ[ῶ]νιν
 14 τῶν λοιπῶν μου πάντων ἐπὶ τῷ αὐτὸν ἀποδοῦναι (ἀ) ἂν ὀφείλω καὶ
 δοῦν[αι] τῷ Ὡρῳ καὶ Εὐδαίμονει [ἐ]κατέρῳ ἐπὶ ὧσι ἐ[τῶν κ
 δραχμὰς] [π]εν-
 15 τακοσίας, οὐκ ἐξόντος τῷ Ὡρῳ καὶ Εὐδαίμονει ἂ ἐμέρισα αὐτοῖς πωλεῖν
 οὐδὲ ὑποτίθεσθαι ἄ[χρι] ἐκάτερος πληρώσῃ ἔτη εἴκοσι
 16 πέντε, μέχρι δὲ τότε εἶναι αὐτῶν ἐπίτροπον τὸν Θῶνιν καὶ τὸν κατὰ
 μητέρα πάππον Ἀρπαῆσιν τὸν κ[αὶ] Ὡρον.] ἔαν δὲ τ[ι]ς
 17 τῶν τριῶν τελευτήσῃ ἔστω τὸ μέρος αὐτοῦ τῶν ἀδελφῶν αὐτ[οῦ] ἐξ ἴσου
 ὥς πρόκειται. εἰμὶ (ἐτῶν) ξα [οὐ]λὴ πῆχι δε[ξι]ῳ καὶ ἔστ[ι]ν
 18 μου ἡ σφραγ[ις] Ἀθηνᾶς. (3rd hand) Κύρος Κύρου τοῦ Διδύμου ἀπὸ
 τῆς αὐτῆς [πό]λεως [μα]ρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ Εὐδαίμονος διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ
 (ἐτῶν) . . οὐλὴ . . .
 19 δε[ξι]ῳ καὶ [ἔστ]ιν μου ἡ σφραγίς Τύχης κυβερνήτης. (4th hand) Θέων
 Ζωίλου τοῦ Θέωνος] ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ
 Εὐδαίμονος διαθήκῃ καὶ
 20 εἰμὶ ἐτῶν τριάκοντα ἑννέα οὐλὴ ποδὶ δεξιῳ καὶ ἔστι μου ἡ σφραγίς
 Σειληνοῦ. (5th hand) Πεμνᾶς Βησαῖτος τοῦ] . . . ἀπὸ τῆς
 αὐτῆς πό-
 21 λεως [μαρτυ]ρῶ τῇ τοῦ Εὐδαίμονος διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτῶν τριάκοντα ὅκτω
 οὐλὴ μῆλῳ δεξιῳ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγίς . .

- 22 [. . . . (6th hand)] . [.] . . ος Θομπειδίσιος τοῦ Κομαάπιος μαρτυρῶ
τῇ τοῦ Εὐδαίμονος διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτῶν) . .
- 23 [οὐλὴ ἀ]στραγάλῳ ἀριστερῷ καὶ ἔστιν ἡ σφραγὶς Σαράπιδος. (7th hand)
Θῶνις Παμμ[18 letters
- 24 [μαρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ Εὐδαίμονος διαθήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτῶν) [.] . αὐ[λ]ῇ μῆλῳ
(δε)ξείῳ καὶ ἔσ[τιν] μου ἡ σφραγὶς
- 25 8th hand [12 letters] τοῦ Ὁρου μαρτυρῶ τῇ τοῦ Εὐδαίμονος δια-
θήκῃ καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτῶν) λξ οὐ(λῇ) ρίνι μέση [καὶ ἔστιν μο]υ ἡ σφραγὶς
Ἀθηνᾶς.
- 26 9th hand] μνημονέ(υ) Ὁξυρ(ύγχαν) πόλ(εως).
- 27 [(ἔτους) ι Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστο]υ Καισαρείου
ἐπαγο(μένων) ε,
- 28 [διαθήκη Εὐδαίμονος Θωνασύχιος τοῦ Θώνιος μητρὸς Θα]ήσιος ἀπὸ
Ὁξ[υρ(ύγχαν) πόλ(εως)].

2. υ of θωνασυχιος corr. 7. σ of τοσoutων corr. from τ. ο of stan corr. 17. ι of
ισον added above the line, and σ corr. 24. ξ of ξειω corr.

‘The 10th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, the 5th intercalary day of the month Caesareus, at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid, for good fortune. This is the will made in the street by Eudaemon son of Thonasuchis son of Thonis, his mother being Thaësis, of Oxyrhynchus, shrine-bearer of the most great goddess Thoëris and of Isis . . . and the other gods of the temple at the village Mouchinor, being sane and in his right mind. So long as I survive I am to have power over my own property, to make any further provisions or new dispositions I choose and to revoke this will, and any such provisions shall be valid. But if I die with this will unaltered I leave my sons Thonis and Horus and Eudaemon, all three sons of Ta . . . daughter of Harpaësis also called Horus, each of them, if he lives, and if not, his children, as co-equal heirs of all the buildings, estates and slaves that I may leave, but Thonis alone of all . . . whatever that he chooses on condition that the said Thonis pays any debts which may be proved against me and gives to his brothers Horus and Eudaemon, if they have at the time of my death completed 20 years, one year after my death, and if they are not so old, then to each of them when he has completed the 20 years, 500 drachmae, making for both of them together 1000 drachmae; and it shall not be lawful for the said Horus and Eudaemon nor for any one of them to sell, mortgage or otherwise dispose of what will come to them from me until each of them has completed 25 years. And if I die before the said Horus and Eudaemon have completed 20 years, their brother Thonis and their maternal grandfather Harpaësis also called Horus son of Thonis shall be guardians of each of them until he completes 20 years. If any of the three sons happen to die childless his share shall belong to his surviving brothers equally; beyond this no one at all shall have power to disobey these provisions and any person so doing

shall forfeit to the party abiding by them the damages and a fine of 1000 drachmae of silver and to the Treasury an equal sum, and the foregoing provisions shall none the less remain valid. This will is valid.' Signatures of Eudaemon and six witnesses with details of their ages, distinguishing marks, and seals, and docket of the record office at Oxyrhynchus.

2. *καὶ Σαραπίδους* would be expected after *Ἰσιδος* (cf. 46. 8-9, &c.), and *Σαραπίδους* might indeed be read, but there is then no room for *καὶ*.

6. *εἴκοσι ἔτη*; cf. ll. 7 and 9. But though Horus and Eudaemon were to enter on possession of their inheritance on reaching 20 years they were not to alienate any part of it until 5 years more had elapsed. There is, however, a discrepancy here between the body of the will and the signature, where it is stated (l. 16) that the brothers were to remain under tutelage till the age of 25. This difficulty might be evaded by supposing that *μέχρι δὲ τότε* refers back to *ἐτῶν κ* in l. 14, but that is certainly not the natural interpretation. Possibly therefore *εἴκοσι (πέντε)* should be read throughout. 20 is the age when the period of tutelage terminated in another case (495. 10), but in 487. 5 we find a guardian being appointed for youths of 25.

492. WILL OF THATRES.

23.8 x 38.5 cm.

A.D. 130.

In this will Thatres daughter of Ammonius leaves as her heirs two half-brothers, whose relationship, if any, to herself, is not stated. The father of one of the brothers is expressly excluded from a house which formed the principal item in the property.

- 1 Ἐτους τ[ε]σ[σ]αρ[ε]σκαδικά]του Αὐτοκράτορος [Κ]αίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ
Σεβαστοῦ Μεχέρ κη, ἐν Ὁξύρυγχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαΐδος,] ἀγαθῇ
τύχῃ.
- 2 [τ]άδε διέθε[το νοοῦ]σα καὶ φρονούσα Θατρῆς Ἀμμωνίου τοῦ Σαραπίωνος
μητρὸς Τσενθοτούμιος τῶν ἀπὸ τοῦ Τρύφωνος Ἰσ[ί]δου τῆς κάτω
τοπαρχία[s] καταγεινομένη ἐν Ὁξύρυγχων πόλει μετὰ κυρίου τοῦ
τῆς ἀγεψιάς αὐτῆς
- 3 Ἡρακλεῖτος Σαρ[α]πίωνος τοῦ Σαραπίωνος μητρὸς Τανσε[ί]ριος τῆς καὶ
Σαραποῦτος υἱοῦ Ὀρίωνος τοῦ καὶ Θέωνος Σαρ[α]πί[ω]νος τοῦ
[.] . . ν[.]. εἰς τῶν ἀπὸ Ἰβίωνος Ἀμμωνίου τῆς αὐτῆς κάτω τοπαρ-
χίας ἐν ἀγνιᾷ.
- 4 ἐφ' ὃν μὲν [πε]ρίειμι χρόνον ἔχειν [με τ]ὴν τῶν ἱ[δίων] ἐξουσίαν πᾶν ὃ
ἐὰν βούλωμαι περὶ αὐτῶν ἐπιτελεῖν καὶ μεταδ[ι]ατίθ[ε]σθαι [κ]αὶ
π[ρὸς] ἀκύρωσιν ἀγειν τήνδε τὴν [δ]ιαθήκην δ' ὃ ἀν ἐπιτελέσω κύριον
ὑπάρ[χ]ειν.

- 5 ἐὰν δὲ ἐπὶ ταύτῃ τῇ διαθήκῃ τελευτήσω μηδὲν ἐπιτελέσασα καταλείπω
κληρονόμους Πτολλίωνα Θέωνος [τοῦ] Πτολ[λ]ί[ω]νος [μ]η[τ]ρ[ὸ]ς Ἰσα-
ρεῦτος τῆς Θέ[ω]νος [καὶ τ]ὸν τούτου ὁμομήτριον ἀδελφὸν [Θέωνα
6 Θέωνος τοῦ Θέωνος τοῦ καὶ Ἀπολλωνίου τοῦ Θέ[ω]νος ἀμφοτέρους ἀπ'
Ὀξύρυγχων πόλεως κατὰ φιλοστοργίαν κοινῶς [ἐ]ξ ἴσου ἐκάτερ[ο]ν
αὐ[τ]ῶν ἐὰν ζῇ, εἰ δὲ μή, τὰ τούτου] τέκνα, τῆς ὑπ[α]ρχούσης μοι
ἐν τῇ αὐ[τ]ῇ
7 Ὀξύρυγχων πόλει ἐπ' ἀμφοδου Ἰππέων Παρενβ[ο]λῆς οἰκίας καὶ αἰθρίου
καὶ αὐλῆς καὶ χρηστηρίων καὶ ὧν ἐὰν ἀπολίπω δούλων σωμα[τ]ῶν
καὶ ἄλλων καθ' ὄνδ[η]ποτοῦν τρόπον παντ[ο]ῖαν πάντων, οὐκ ἐξόν[τος
8 τοῖς αὐτοῖς κληρονόμοις μου τῷ καθόλ[ο]υ παραδέχ[ε]σθαι· εἰς τὴν δηλου-
μένην μου οἰκίαν τὸν τοῦ ἐτέρου αὐτῶν Θέων[ο]ς πατέρα Θέ[ω]να
Θέωνος τοῦ καὶ Ἀπολλωνίου τοῦ Θέωνος μητρὸς Ἐλένης ἐφ' ὅλον
τὸν τῆς
9 ζωῆς αὐ[τοῦ] χρόνον παρευρέσει οὐ[δ]έμιᾳ ἄλλου δὲ οὐδενὶ παραβαίνειν
τι τῶν ὑπ' ἐμοῦ διατεταγμένων ἢ χωρ[ί]ς τοῦ ταύ[τ]α μένειν κῆ[ρ]ια
... ἐκτεῖσι ὁ ἐπιχειρ[ῶ]ν πρὸς ἀθέτησίν τι τούτων ἄγειν ἐπιτεῖμου
δρα[χμὰς
10 χειρίας καὶ [εἰ]ς τὸ δημόσιον τὰς ἴσας καὶ μηθὲν ἥσσον, ἀλ[λ]ῳ δὲ οὐδενὶ παραβαίνειν
οὐδενὶ οὐδὲν τῶν ἐμῶν καταλείπω. ἡ διαθήκη κυρία. (2nd hand)
Θατρῆ[ς] Ἀμμωνίου τοῦ Σαραπίωνος πεπύμα[ι] τὴν διαθή-
11 κην καὶ καταλείπω μετὰ τὴν τελευτὴν μου κληρονόμους Πτολ[λ]ίωνα
[Θέων]ος τοῦ Πτολ[λ]ίωνος μητρὸς Εἰσαρεῦτος καὶ τῶν
12 τούτου ὁμομήτριον ἀδελφὸν Θέωνα Θέωνος τοῦ Θέωνος τοῦ καὶ Ἀπολλω-
νίου κοινῶς ἐξ ἴσου ἥς ἔχω ἐπὶ Ἰππέων Πα[ρ]εμ-
13 βολῆς οἰκίας καὶ αἰθρίου καὶ αὐλῆς καὶ ὧν ἐὰν ἀπολίπω δούλων σωμα[τ]ῶν
καὶ ἄλλων καθ' ὄνδ[η]ποτοῦν τρόπον
14 πάντων, οὐκ ἐξόντας αὐτοῖς τῷ καθόλου παραδέχεσθαι εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν μου
τὸν τοῦ ἐτέρου αὐτῶν Θέωνος πα[τ]έ-
15 ρα Θέωνα Θέωνος τοῦ καὶ Ἀπολλωνίου ἐφ' ὅλον αὐτοῦ τὸν τῆς ζωῆς
χρόνον, ἐπὶ δὲ πάντων ὡς πρόκειται. εἰ[μ]εῖ (ἐτῶν) ογ
16 οὐλῇ καρπῷ δεξιῷ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς Ἰσις. Ὡρίων ὁ καὶ Θέων
Σαραπίωνος Ἀπίωνος ὁ τῆς ἀνεψιάς αὐτῆς υἱὸς ἐ-
17 πιγέγραμμε αὐτῆς (κύριος) κ[α]ὶ ἔγραψα ὑπὲρ αὐτῆς μὴ εἰδυεῖς γράμ-
ματα καὶ εἰμὲ ἐτῶν μ οὐλ[ῇ] παρὰ κανθὸν ἀριστεροῦ

- 18 ὀφθαλμοῦ. (3rd hand) Ἀπίων Ζωίλου τοῦ Ἀπίωνος μητρὸς Νειλαροῦτος ἀπ' Ὁξυρύγχων πόλ[εω]ς μαρτυρῶι τῇ τῆς Θατρῆτος διαθ[ήκ]ῃ καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτών) μδ οὐλῇ ὑπ[ὸ]
- 19 γένειον καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς Σαρᾶπισ. (4th hand) Φάλαγξ Διογένους τοῦ καὶ Φάλαγγος Ἀρπάλου ἀπὸ [τῇ]ς [α]ὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τῆς Θατρῆτος διαθ[ήκ]ῃ{ν} καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτών τεσσα-
- 20 ράκοντα οὐλῇ ἀντικνημίῳ δεξιῷ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς Ἀρποχράτου. (5th hand) Ἡρᾶς ἐπικαλούμενο[ς] Γάιος Κινάτος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τῆς Θατρῆ-
- 21 [το]ς διαθ[ήκ]ῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτών με οὐλῇ ἀντικνημίῳ δεξιῷ καὶ ἔστιν μου ἡ σφρα[γ]ῖ[ς] φιλοσόφου. (6th hand) Ἀπολλώνιος Ἀσκληπιάδου τοῦ Ἀπολλωνίου ἀπὸ τῆς
- 22 αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶ τῇ τῆς Θατρῆτος διαθ[ήκ]ῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ἐτών ἐβδομήκοντα οὐλῇ παρὰ κ[α]λ[υ]θ[ὸ]ν τὸν ἐκτὸς δεξιῷ ὀφθαλμοῦ καὶ [ἔ]στιν μου ἡ σφραγὶς Ἑρμοῦ. (7th hand) Θεών Ἀγαθειῶν
- 23 [τοῦ] Θε[ῶ]νος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς π[ό]λεως μαρτυρῶι τῇ τῆς Θατρῆτος διαθ[ήκ]ῃ καὶ εἰμὶ ὥς (ἐτών) ξα οὐ(λῇ) ἀντικ(νημίῳ) ἀ[ρ]ιστ(ερῷ) καὶ] ἔστιν μου ἡ [σ]φραγὶς Σαράπιδος. (8th hand) Σαρ[απ]ίῳ Φερέκφιος θέσει Πο. [.]
- 24 [. . .]] ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως μαρτυρῶι τῇ τῆς Θατρῆτος διαθ[ήκ]ῃ καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτών) λς ἄσημος [καὶ ἔστιν] μου ἡ σ[φ]ραγὶς Ἀθηνᾶς.
[.] μνημονεύει.

1. κη added in a different hand above the line.

9. l. (ᾠ)λλφ.

10. l. πεποιήμα(ε).

12. Third ο of ομαμητριον corr. from α.

13. l. αἰθρίον.

14. l. ἐξάντος.

16. l. ἐπιγέ-

γραμμαι.

17. First ν of κανθον corr. from θ.

22. ου of ουλῇ corr.

'The 14th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Mecheir 28, at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid, for good fortune. This is the will made in the street by Thatres daughter of Ammonius son of Sarapion, her mother being Tsenthotoumis, from Ision Tryphonis in the lower toparchy, now living at Oxyrhynchus, being sane and in her right mind, with her guardian the son of Thatres' cousin Heraclous daughter of Sarapion son of Sarapion, her mother being Tauseiris also called Sarapous, Horion also called Theon, son of Sarapion son of . . . , from Ibion Ammonii in the same lower toparchy. So long as I survive I am to have power over my own property, to make any further provisions or new dispositions I choose and to revoke this will, and any such provisions shall be valid. But if I die with this will unaltered and no further provisions made I leave on account of their affection towards me Ptolion son of Theon son of Ptolion, his mother being Isareus daughter of Theon, and his brother on the mother's side Theon

son of Theon son of Theon also called Apollonius son of Theon, both of Oxyrhynchus, if they live, and if not, their children, as joint and equal heirs of the house, court, yard and fixtures belonging to me at Oxyrhynchus in the Knight's Camp quarter, and any slaves which I may leave and all other property of any kind whatever; and it shall nowise be lawful for my said heirs to receive into my house aforesaid the father of the second Theon, namely Theon son of Theon also called Apollonius son of Theon, his mother being Helene, for the whole of his life under any pretext, nor for any one else to disobey any of my dispositions, and the person attempting to set aside aught of them shall, while not disturbing their validity, forfeit a fine of 1000 drachmae and to the Treasury an equal sum and none the less (shall these provisions hold good); and I leave none of my property to any one else.' Signatures of Thatres written for her by her guardian Horion, and of six witnesses in the usual style, and docket of the record office.

3. The mutilated name is not 'Απίωνος, as would be expected from l. 16.

9. The vestiges before ἐκείναι do not suit ἐτι.

10. For the ellipse of κύρια μένειν τὰ προγεγραμμένα cf. 504. 32. It may here be partly due to the writer's recollection that this same clause had already preceded in the line above.

20. The name after ἐπικαλούμενο[ς] is perhaps all one word; the doubtful κ may be μ.

493. WILL OF PASION AND BERENICE.

11.3 × 25.9 cm.

Early second century.

The following will is peculiar in being a joint deed by a husband and wife, who both have property to dispose of. The beginning is lost, but the remaining clauses suffice to show that the survivor of the two was constituted the heir of the other, with power to divide the whole property among the four children of the marriage; but the wife is, in the event of her outliving her husband, expressly authorized to retain the ownership if she chose to do so. The papyrus was probably written in the reign of Trajan or Hadrian.

πε[48 letters]νι . [13 letters] . . . [10 letters]ω[. .] . . τιμ[. .
 μ . [12 letters] . [.]ος [. .]ωνος . [22 letters]τε[. . . [. . .]
 μεμερισμένω[ν . . .] ἐδαφῶν τὴν κυ-
 ρείαν καὶ τῶν οἰκοπέδων τὴν ἐνοίκησιν [. . .]ιν, ἐξου[σίας οὐ]σης τῷ ἀφ'
 ἡ[μ]ῶν ἐπιζήσαντι ἐὰν τῇ βούληται πωλεῖν
 τὰ [τε ἴδια κ]αὶ τ[ὰ] τοῦ προτελευ[τή]σαντος δοῦλα σώματα ἥτο[ι] τὰ ὅλα
 ἡ καὶ τινὰ αὐτῶν καὶ τῇ τούτων τιμῇ [. . .]σῆσ-
 5 θαι [ἀς]εῖται δαδάνας ἐκφ[ο]ρᾶς καὶ κηδε[ῖ]α[ς] τοῦ προτελευ[τή]σ[αν]τος
 σωματείου καὶ χρεῶν ἀποδώσις, ὁμ[ό]λως

- δὲ [ἐ]ξ[ε]ῖ[να τ]ῶι ἐπιζή[σαντι ἀφ' ἡμ]ῶν διατάσσειν τοῖς γεγονόσι ἡμεῖν ἐξ
 ἀλλήλων τέκνοις Σαραπᾶ καὶ Ἀπολλωνίῳ
 καὶ Διογέ[ν]ει ἀφῆλικοι [καὶ] ἀφῆλικοι τὰ τε ἴδια καὶ τὰ τοῦ
 προτελευ(τῆ)σαντος (2nd hand) ἐδάφη καὶ τὰ ἄπρατα τῶν σωμάτων
 καὶ τὰ [ἄλλα
 (1st hand) ὥς ἐὰν αὐτῶι τῶι ἐπιζή[σαν]τι δοκῇ ἐφ' ὧι ἐὰν αἰρῇται μερι-
 σμῶι, ἐπὶ δὲ τῆς γυναικὸς Βερενίκης ἐὰν αὐτῇ περιῖη εἶναι
 ἐὰν βούληται κυρ[εῖ]αν [ἀνε]μποδίστως, μὴ οὔσης μηδενὶ τῶι καθόλου
 ἐξουσίας πρὸς ἀθέτησίν τι τούτων ἄγειν μ[η]δέ τι
 10 ὑπεναντίως π[η]οιῖεν ἢ τὴν ἐφοδο]ν ἄκυρον εἶναι ἔτι καὶ ἐκτίνειν τὸν ἐπι-
 χεیرهσαντα παραβαίνειν τι τούτων ἢ ἐπ[ε]λ[ευσό]-
 μενον τῶι ἐπ[ι]ζήσαντι ἀφ' ἡμῶν καθ' ἐκάστην ἐφοδον τό τε βλάβος καὶ
 ἐπίτιμον ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς δισχιλίαις
 καὶ εἰς τὸ δημόσιον τὰς ἴσας, χωρὶς τοῦ καὶ τὰ προγεγραμμένα κύρια
 εἶναι. ἢ διαθήκη κυρία. μάρτυρες δ' εἰσὶν Δόχος
 Δόχου τοῦ Σαραπίων[ος] καὶ Σα[ρα]πίων Σαραπίωνος τοῦ Πασίωνος καὶ
 Πλουτίων Κρατεῖνου τοῦ Δημητρίου καὶ Εὐ-
 δαίμων ὁ καὶ Ἀμοῖς Ἀμοίτος τοῦ Σαραπίωνος καὶ Ἀπόλλων Διογένους τοῦ
 Θέωνος καὶ Διόφαντος Διόφαντος τοῦ Αὐλείου (?)
 15 οἱ ἐξ ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἐν ἀγνιᾷ τῇ αὐτῇ. (3rd hand) Πασίων
 Σα[ρα]πίων[ος] τοῦ Πασίων[ος] π[ε]ποιήμαι σὺν τῇ γυναικὶ
 Βερενίκη τὴν διαθήκην καὶ καταλίπω με[τ]ὰ τῇ[ν τελε]υτὴν ἐ[ἴ]ναι τοῦ
 ἀσφ[αλῶς περι]όντος τὰ τοῦ πρωτε-
 λευτήσ[αν]τος ἀπολειφθόσμενα σιτικά [ἐδάφη καὶ οἰκόπεδα] καὶ ἔπιπλα
 καὶ σκε[ύ]η καὶ ἐνδομ[ε]ν[ε]ῖαν
 [καὶ γενή]ματα καὶ γυν[α]ικεῖον κόσμον ἔτι δὲ καὶ 15 letters]
 νοντ[.] . καὶ τὰ ἐνοίκια
 [11 letters] [20 letters ἀπολειφθ]ησομέν[ων οἰ]κοπέδων
 καὶ δούλων
 20 [60 letters] δαπάνας ἐκφορᾶς
 [„ „] καὶ τῶν [.
 [„ „] τα τειμ[.
 [„ „] ε . . [.

3. ϵ of $\epsilon\nu\omicron\kappa\eta\sigma\iota\nu$ corr. from \omicron . 5. . .] ϵ corr. from . .] α . 1. $\delta\alpha\pi\acute{\alpha}\nu\alpha\varsigma$. . . $\dot{\alpha}\rho\omicron\delta\acute{\omicron}\sigma\epsilon\iota\varsigma$.
 8. η of $\tau\eta\varsigma$ corr. from ϵ . 9. ι of $\tau\epsilon$ corr. from ϵ . ν of $\alpha\gamma\epsilon\iota\nu$ corr. from ν . 11. κ of $\kappa\alpha\theta$
 corr. from τ . 12. ϵ of $\mu\alpha\rho\upsilon\rho\epsilon\varsigma$ corr. from α . 14. 1. $\Delta\acute{\iota}\phi\phi$. $\Delta\iota\omicron\phi\acute{\alpha}\nu\tau\omicron\upsilon$. 16. 1. $\pi\rho\omicron\tau\epsilon$ -
 $\lambda\epsilon\upsilon\tau\eta\sigma\iota$ [α]ντος.

2 sqq. '... shall have the ownership of the estates and right of domicile in the buildings, the survivor of us, if he pleases, having the power to sell all or any of the slaves belonging to himself or to the one of us who first dies, and with the purchase money to defray the expenses of the funeral and burial of the body and pay the debts of the deceased, and the survivor of us shall similarly be permitted to devise to the children that have been born to us, Sarapas and Apollonius and Diogenes and . . . , the last two being minors, the estates, unsold slaves and other effects belonging to himself or to the one who first dies in such manner as the survivor thinks fit and with any division he chooses, but the wife Berenice if she survives shall if she will have the undisturbed ownership, and no one at all shall be permitted to set aside aught of these provisions or to do anything opposed to them, but the aggression shall be invalid and the person attempting to disobey them in any respect or making aggression upon the survivor of us shall forfeit for each aggression the damages and a fine of 2000 drachmae of silver and to the Treasury an equal sum, the foregoing provisions at the same time remaining valid. This will is valid. The witnesses are Lochus son of Lochus son of Sarapion, Sarapion son of Sarapion son of Pasion, Plution son of Cratinus son of Demetrius, Eudaemon also called Amois, son of Amois son of Sarapion, Apollon son of Diogenes son of Theon, Diophantus son of Diophantus son of Aulus, all six of the said city, in the said street.' Signature of Pasion the testator.

5. cf. B. G. U. 183. 24, 326. ii. 1 $\epsilon\kappa\kappa\omicron\mu\epsilon\iota\sigma\theta\eta\eta\alpha\iota$ $\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma\tau\epsilon\alpha\lambda\eta\eta\nu\alpha\iota$ $\tau\epsilon$ $\epsilon\mu\alpha\upsilon\tau\acute{\omicron}\nu$ [ν] $\theta\acute{\epsilon}\lambda\omega$ $\tau\eta$ $\phi\rho\omicron\nu\tau\iota\delta\iota$ $\kappa\alpha\iota$ $\epsilon\upsilon\sigma\epsilon\beta\epsilon\acute{\iota}\alpha$ $\tau\acute{\omega}\nu$ [κ]ληρονόμων μου.

18. γενήματα: cf. 494. 10; but this is only one of several possibilities.

494. WILL OF ACUSILAUS.

39 × 23·2 cm.

A.D. 156.

This long papyrus, which is in an excellent state of preservation, gives a copy of an elaborate and more than usually interesting will. The testator, Acusilaus, after conferring freedom upon five of his slaves, 'in consequence of their goodwill and affection,' leaves his son Dius heir to his property, subject to a life-interest reserved for Aristous, the wife of Acusilaus. The document is not the original will, but an official copy made at a later date; cf. l. 25, note.

A noticeable palaeographical peculiarity in this papyrus is the sigma, which is of a square shape, consisting of two horizontal strokes joined by an upright one with a slight inward curve to the right.

Ἀντίγραφον. ἔτους ἑννεακαίδεκάτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τίτου Αἰλίου
 Ἀδριανοῦ Ἀντωνίνου Σεβαστοῦ Εὐσεβοῦς
 μηνὸς Γερμανικείου λ, ἐν Ὁξυρύγχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος, ἀγαθῇ τύχῃ.
 τάδε διεθέμην νοῶν καὶ φρονῶν
 Ἀκουσίλαος Δεῖον τοῦ Διονυσίου τοῦ καὶ Ἀκουσιλάου μητρὸς Διονυσίας
 Θέωνος ἀπ' Ὁξυρύγχων πόλεως ἐν ἀγνιᾷ. ἐφ' ὃν μὲν πε-
 ρίειμι χρόνον ἔχειν με τὴν τῶν ιδίων ἐξουσίαν ὃ ἐὰν βούλωμαι ἐπιτελεῖν
 καὶ μεταδιατίθεσθαι καὶ ἀκυροῦν τὴν δια-
 5 θήκην ταύτην, ὃ δ' ἂν ἐπιτελέσω κύριον ὑπάρχειν. ἐὰν δὲ ἐπὶ ταύτῃ τῇ
 διαθήκῃ τελευτήσω ἐλεύθερα ἀφήμι ὑπὸ
 Δία Γῆν Ἥλιον κατ' εὐνοίαν καὶ φιλοστοργίαν δοῦλά μου σώματα Ψενα-
 μοῦνιν τὸν καὶ Ἀμμώνιον καὶ Ἑρμᾶν καὶ Ἀπολλω-
 νοῦν τὴν καὶ Δημητρίαν καὶ θυγατέρα αὐτῆς Διογενίδα καὶ ἄλλην μου
 δούλην Δ[ιογενί]δα, καταλείπω δὲ τῇ γυναικί
 μου οὖσῃ μου καὶ ἀνεψιᾷ Ἀριστοῦτι τῇ καὶ Ἀπολλωναρίῳ Ἡρακλείδῳ
 τοῦ Διονυσίου τοῦ καὶ Ἀκουσιλάου μητρὸς Ἡραίδος Ἀ-
 λεξάνδρου εὐνοούσῃ μοι καὶ πᾶσαν πίστιν μοι ἐνδεικνυμένην ἃ ἐὰν ἀπολίπω
 ἐπιπλα καὶ σκεύη καὶ χρυσία καὶ ἱμάτια
 10 καὶ κόσμα καὶ πυρὸν καὶ ὄσπρεα καὶ γενήματα καὶ ἐνδομενείαν πᾶσαν
 καὶ ὀφειλήματα ἔνγραφα καὶ ἄγραφα,
 κληρονόμον δὲ ἀπολείπω τὸν γεγονότα μοι ἐκ τῆς προγεγραμμένης μου
 γυν[α]ικὸς Ἀριστοῦτος τῆς καὶ Ἀπολλω-
 ναρίου υἱὸν Δεῖον ἐὰν ζῇ, εἰ δὲ μὴ, τὰ τούτου τέκνα, ὧν ἐὰν ἀπολίπω
 ὑπαρχόντων καὶ ἐτέρων δούλων σ[ωμ]ά-
 των καὶ τῶν ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἐσομένων ἐκ τῶν προγεγραμμένων θηλειῶν δούλων
 ἐκγόνων, ὧν παν-
 των τὴν χρῆσιν καὶ προσόδους πάσας μετὰ τὰ δημόσια ἔξει ἡ αὐτὴ γυνή
 μου Ἀριστοῦς ἡ καὶ Ἀπολλω-
 15 νάριον ἐπὶ τὸν τῆς ζωῆς αὐτῆς χρόνον καὶ τὴν δουλείαν καὶ ἀποφορὰς
 τῶν μετὰ [.] . .] τελευτήν μοι
 ἐλευθερουμένων δούλων σωμάτων. ἡ δ' αὐτὴ γυνή μου χορηγήσει τῷ υἱῷ
 μου Δεῖῳ εἰς δι[α]τρο-
 φὴν αὐτοῦ καὶ τὴν ἄλλην δαπάνην κατὰ μῆν[α] ἐν Ὁξυρύγχων πόλει
 πυροῦ μέτρῳ ἑξωδιαστικῷ . . .

- ἀρτάβας δύο καὶ δραχμὰς ἐξήκοντα καὶ ὑπὲρ ἱματισμοῦ κατ' ἔτος δραχμὰς
 διακοσίας, τῇ δ' αὐτῇ
 γυναικὶ Ἀριστοῦτι τῇ καὶ Ἀπολλωναρίῳ ἐξέστω δι' αὐτῆς πωλεῖν καὶ
 ὑποτίθεσθαι ἃ ἐὰν αἰρήται
 20 ἀφ' ὧν ἐὰν ἀπολίπω τῷ νύμφῳ μου Δείῳ ὑπαρχόν[τω]ν καὶ σωμάτων καὶ
 καταχρᾶσθαι εἰς τὸ
 ἴδιον Χ . [.] . ς τοῖς ἐμπεισομένοις ἥτοι ἐκ πράσεως καὶ ἐξ ὑποθήκης ἀρ-
 γυρίοις. ἡ δ' αὐτὴ γυ-
 νή μου Ἀρι[σ]τοῦς ἡ καὶ Ἀπολλωνάριον ἀποδώσει πάντα ἃ ἐὰν φανῶ
 ὀφείλων, δώσει δὲ ἡ
 γυνή μου καὶ μετὰ τελευτῇν αὐτῆς ὁ νῖός μου Δείος τοῖς δούλοις μου
 καὶ ἀπελευθέρ[οι]ς εἰς
 εὐωχίαν αὐτῶν ἣν ποιήσονται πλησίον τοῦ τάφου μου κατ' ἔτος τῇ
 γενεθλίᾳ μου ἐφ' ᾧ δι-
 25 ἐπειγ ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς ἐκατόν. ὅσα δ' ἂν ὑπὸ τὸ ἐκδόσιμον τῆς δια-
 θήκης γράψω ἥτοι ἀφαιρού-
 μενός τι ἢ προσδιατάσσω ἢ ἐτέροις χαριζόμενος ἢ καὶ ἄλλο τι βουλό-
 μενος καὶ αὐτὰ ἔστω κύρια
 ὥς δ' εἰν[α]ι τῇ διαθήκῃ ἐγγεγραμμένα, παρὰ δὲ ταῦτα μὴ οὔσης μηδενὶ
 τῷ καθόλου ἐξου-
 σίας παραβαίνει[ν, τὸν] δὲ παραβησόμενον ἐκτίνειν τῷ ἐμμένοντι τό τε
 βλάβος καὶ ἐπίτιμον
 ἀργυρίου τάλαντα δύο καὶ εἰς τὸ δημόσιον τὰ ἴσα καὶ μηδὲν [ἦ]σσαν
 μένειν κύρια τὰ προκείμενα.
 30 ἡ διαθήκη κυρία. Ἀκουσίλαος Δείου ὁ προγεγραμμένος πεποιήμαι τὴν
 διαθήκην ἧς ὅλον τὸ σῶμά
 ἐστίν μου ἰδι[ό]γραφ[ο]ν ἐπὶ πᾶσι τοῖς προκειμένοις, καὶ εἰμὶ (ἐτῶν) μη

οὐ(λῆ) ποδ(ι) δεξ(ι) κα[ι] ἐστ[ι]ν μου ἡ σφραγὶς Θώνιος.

2nd hand Δίδυμος Ὀννώφριος τοῦ καὶ Χαϊρήμονος Ἑρώδου ἀπ' Ὁξυρύγ[χω]ν
 πόλεως Ἰς τῶν

μαρτυρησάντων τῇ προκιμέ[ν]ῃ δι[α]θήκῃ ἐγνώρισα τὴν ἰδίαν μου σφραγι-
 दा οὐσαν γλύμματος Ἑρμοῦ καὶ ἐσφράγισα τῇ αὐτῇ σφραγίδι. (3rd hand)
 Ἀσκληπιάδης

35 Εὐδαίμονος τοῦ Ἀσκληπιάδου ἀπ' Ὁξυρύνχων π[ό]λεως ἔτ[ε]ρ[ος] τῶν
μαρτυρησάν-

των τῇ προκειμένῃ διαθήκῃ ἐγνώρισα τὴν ἰδίαν μου σφρ[α]γίδα οὖσαν
γλύμματος Σαράπιδος καὶ ἐσφράγισα τῇ αὐτῇ σφραγίδι. (4th hand)
Δίδυμος Διδύμου

τοῦ Ἐνθέσμου[ν] ἀγορανόμ[ο]ς τῆς Ὁξυρυνχιδῶν πόλεως ἕτερος τῶν
μαρτυρησάντων αὐτῇ διαθήκῃ ἐγνώρισα τὴν ἰδίαν μου σ[φ]ραγίδα
40 οὖσαν γλύμματος Ἀπόλλωνος καὶ ἐσφράγισα τῇ αὐτῇ σφραγίδι. (5th hand)
Ἀσκλη-

πιάδης Ἀσκληπ[ί]αδου τοῦ Πανσιρ[ί]ωνος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἕτερος τῶν
[μαρτυρησάντων] τῇ αὐτῇ διαθήκῃ ἐγνώρισα τὴν ἰδίαν μ[ο]ν σφ[ρ]αγίδα
[οὖσαν γλύμμα]τος Ἡρακλέους καὶ ἐσφράγισα τῇ αὐτῇ σφραγίδι.

6th hand ? προ[ε]τέθη ε (ἔτους) Ἀθύρ.

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| 2. θηβαῖδος Pap. | 3. ἀγνῶ Pap. | 4. ἰδίων Pap. | 5. ὑπαρχεῖν . . ὑπο Pap. |
| 8. First ι and τ of ἀριστονι added above the line. | 9. ἡραῖδος Pap. | 12. ἰδιον Pap. ; so in ll. 16, 20, 23. | 18. ὑπερ ἡματισμου Pap. |
| 19. ὑποτιθεῖναι Pap. | 21. ἰδιον Pap. | 25. ὑπο Pap. | 31. ἰδιογραφ[ο]ν Pap. |
| 40. π of ἀπολλωνος and second σ of ἐσφραγισα corr. | 32. λ of πολεως corr. | 33. ἰδιαν Pap. | 43. σφραγίδι. |

'Copy. In the 19th year of the Emperor Caesar Titus Aelius Hadrianus Antoninus Augustus Pius, the 30th of the month Germaniceus, at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid ; for good fortune. This is the will made in the street by me, Acusilaus son of Dios son of Dionysius also called Acusilaus and of Dionysia daughter of Theon, of the city of Oxyrhynchus, being sane and in my right mind. So long as I survive I am to have power over my own property, to make any further provisions and alterations I please and to revoke this will, and any such provisions shall be valid. But if I die with this will unchanged, I set free under sanction of Zeus, Earth and Sun, for their goodwill and affection towards me, my slaves Psenamounis also called Ammonius and Hermas and Apollonous also called Demetria and her daughter Diogenis and Diogenis, another female slave of mine. I bequeath to my wife and cousin Aristous also called Apollonariou, daughter of Heraclides son of Dionysius also called Acusilaus and of Hera's daughter of Alexandrus, being well-disposed and showing entire faithfulness towards me, all that I may leave in the way of furniture, effects, objects of gold, clothing, ornaments, wheat, pulse, produce, and all my household stock, and my debts, recorded and unrecorded. I leave my son Dios by my aforesaid wife Aristous also called Apollonariou, if he lives, and if not, his children, heir to all the property that I leave and to my other slaves and the offspring that may hereafter be born to the female slaves aforesaid ; but my said wife Aristous also called Apollonariou shall have during her lifetime, after the taxes are paid, the use of and all the revenues from the whole property, together with the service of and

profits from those of them who are to receive their freedom after my death. My said wife shall supply to my son Dios every month at Oxyrhynchus for his sustenance and other expenses two artabae of wheat by the measure used for payment . . . and 60 drachmae and for clothing 200 drachmae yearly. My said wife Aristous also called Apollonarian shall have the right to sell and mortgage on her own authority anything she chooses of what I leave to my son Dios in property and slaves and to use for her personal requirements the money accruing from the sale or mortgage. My said wife Aristous also called Apollonarian shall pay all the debts that may be proved against me; and my wife, and after her death my son Dios, shall give to my slaves and freedmen for a feast which they shall celebrate at my tomb on my birthday every year 100 drachmae of silver to be spent. Anything that I append to the official copy of the will, whether cancelling or supplementing or making bequests to other persons or with any other purpose shall also be valid as if contained in the actual will; beyond this no one shall have power to disobey it, and anybody who does so shall forfeit to the party abiding by it the damages and a fine of 2 talents of silver and to the Treasury an equal sum, the above provisions remaining none the less valid. This will is valid. I, Acusilaus son of Dios the aforesaid, have made this will, the whole of which with all the above provisions is in my own writing. I am 48 years of age and have a scar on my right foot, and my seal is an image of Thonis. I, Didymus son of Onnophris also called Chaeremon son of Herodes, of Oxyrhynchus, one of the witnesses to the above will, recognized my own seal which is a figure of Hermes and sealed with the said seal.' There follow similar signatures of three other witnesses, whose seals represented respectively Sarapis, Apollo, and Heracles.

5-6. ὑπὸ Δία Γῆν Ἥλιον: cf. 48. 6, 49. 8; another instance of the manumission of a slave by will is B. G. U. 326. 17.

21. The word after ἴδιον could not be read as *χωρῆς*, even if this were otherwise suitable. *χωρῆς* would be possible, though not very satisfactory.

25. ὑπὸ τὸ ἐκδόσιμον: ἐκδόσιμα are mentioned in 34. ii. 6, where the keeper of the 'Nanaeum' is ordered not to give them without authorization from the Library of Hadrian:—ὁ ἐπιτηρητῆς τοῦ Ναναίου μήτε τὰ ἐκδόσιμα διδῶτω μήτε ἐπισκέψασθαι ἐπὶ τῇ ρεπίτῳ μήτε ἄλλο τι οἰκονομεῖτω πρὶν αὐτῷ ἐπιστέλληται κ.τ.λ. There the ἐκδόσιμα appear to be official copies of the deeds deposited in the archives; and in the present passage (cf. also 495. 15) the word has the same meaning, as is indicated by the contrast drawn between the ἐκδόσιμον and the actual διαθήκη. It is indeed most probable that this papyrus was itself an ἐκδόσιμον, for it is stated to be a copy and yet is signed by witnesses, who state that they had recognized the seals which they had affixed to the original document. We must then suppose that testators were permitted to use such official copies of their wills for the purpose of adding codicils without being put to the trouble of withdrawing and cancelling the original deeds. This however was of course sometimes done; cf. 106-7, which refer to the absolute revocation of wills.

27. ὡς ἐν τῇ or ὡς ἐν αὐτῇ τῇ would be expected but was certainly not written. The phrase recurs in 495. 16, but in a mutilated form.

31. Θώνιος: the mythical guard of the Canopic branch of the Nile; cf. Hdt. i. 114-5. Probably Ἐγκανώπου in 634 refers to him.

38. Ὁξυρρυχιτῶν: this is an early example of the form Ὁξυρρυχιτῶν πόλις which is not found in common use before the third century. 473. 2 is in fact the only other instance in this volume.

44. *προ|ε|θη*, if correct, presumably refers to the publication of the contents of the will after the testator's death; but the note may merely record the date at which the present copy was made. Perhaps *παρ|ε|θη*, 'deposited,' should be read.

495. WILL OF PETOSORAPIS.

9'7 x 34 cm.

A.D. 181-9.

This will is much mutilated, but possesses an interest as a specimen from a somewhat later period than that to which the preceding group belongs; and its general tenour remains fairly clear. The testator Petosorapis leaves as his heir in the first instance his son Epinicus, a minor; and appoints his sister Apollonous to administer the estate, and take charge of Epinicus until he reached the age of 20 years. It may be inferred that the mother of the boy was either dead or had separated from her husband. A certain part of the property is appropriated to Apollonous herself, who was to pay the testator's debts; and the stipulation is made that she should not be asked to render an account of her trusteeship. A minor legacy was apparently made to a nephew of Petosorapis.

- 1 [*Ετους*] καὶ ἐικοστοῦ Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Μάρκου Αὐρηλίου Κομμόδου Ἀντωνίνου Σεβαστοῦ Ἀρμενικοῦ Μηδικοῦ Παρθικοῦ Σαρματικοῦ Γερμανικοῦ Μεγίστου Ἐπεὶ β, ἐν Ὁξύρυγχων πόλ(ει) τῆς Θηβ(αίδος), ἀγαθ(ῆ) τύχῃ.
- 2 [τάδε διέθετο νο]ῶν καὶ φρονῶν Πετοσοράπιδι Πετοσοράπιος τοῦ Ἐπινείκου μητρὸς Σαραπιάδος ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγχων πόλεως ἐν ἀγυῖα. ἐφ' ὃν μὲν περὶ εἰμι χρόνον ἔχειν με τὴν τῶν ἰδίων ἐξουσίαν ὃ ἐὰν βού-
- 3 [λωμαι κατ' αὐτῶν] ἐπιτελεῖν καὶ ἀναιρεῖσθαι ἢ ἀκυροῦν τήνδε τὴν διαθήκην [ἀ]νεμποδίστως ὃ δ' ἂν ἐπιτελέσω κύριον ὑπάρχειν. ἐὰν δὲ ἐπὶ ταύτῃ τῇ διαθήκῃ τελευτήσω μηδὲν κατ' αὐτῶν ἐπιτελέ-
- 4 [σας κληρονόμον] ἀπ[ο]λείπω τὸν υἱόν μ[ο]ν Ἐπινείκον μητρ[ὸ]ς [.]χηρῶ. υς [ἀπὸ] τῆς [α]ὐτῆς πόλεως ἐὰν ζ[ῇ], εἰ δὲ μὴ, ἃ ἐὰν ἔχ[ῃ] τέκνα καὶ τὰ ἐπεσόμενά μοι ἕτερα τέκνα ἢ ἐὰν μὴ γένηταί μοι ἕτερα τέκνα
- 5 [35 letters] . . . [.] . [12 letters] α πάντ[α] τοῦ ὑπάρχ[ον]τός μοι π[ρ]ότερον Ἐρμίου χρηματίζοντος μητρὸς Ἰσ[τ]ῆ. σιο . . ἔναντι Πέλα {Πέλα} ἐκ τοῦ
- 6 [55 letters τοῖς ἐσο]μένοις] ἐκγόνοις καὶ ὧν ἐὰν [ἀ]πολίπω ἐπ[ὶ] [π]λὼν κ[αί] σκευῶν καὶ ἐνδομενείας καὶ ὀφειλημάτων

- 7 [59 letters] ἀδελφῇ [Ἀπολλωνοῦ]τι ἐὰν περ[ι]ῇ, εἰ δὲ μή, [τ]ῷ αὐτῷ
 υἱῷ [μο]ν Ἐπινείκῳ τὰ δὲ σκεύη καὶ ἔπιπλα καὶ ἄλλα ὄντα ἐν τρισὶ
 8 [58 letters] ἀδ[ελφιδ].]ν καὶ τὸν αὐτὸν υἱόν [μο]ν Ἐπίνεικον
 [ἐ]ν τε ἐξέδρᾳ καὶ κέλλῃ τῇ ἐπάνω τοῦ πυλῶνος καὶ ἐν ὄλῳ
 9 [60 letters] καὶ δι[.] ἐξ ὧν ἀπέλιπον αὐτῇ ἀπ[οδιδόναι] ὅσα ἐὰν
 φανῶ ὀφείλων καὶ ἐξουσίαν αὐτὴν ἔχειν ἰ εὐθυ
 10 [60 letters] ῥουσσ . [. . . τὸν αὐτὸν υἱόν [μου . .]ε[. . . .]ην παρ' ἐαυτῇ
 δαιτώμενον μέχρι οὗ γένηται ἐτῶν εἴκοσι πρόνοιαν ποιου-
 11 [μένην 52 letters] ἐξ ὀνόματός μου διαδέξ[ηται] συν[.]ουσ[αν] τὰ
 ἐξ αὐτῶν περιγινόμενα καὶ διατρέφουσιν αὐτὸν ἐξ αὐτῶν [. .]ν
 12 [62 letters] ἐπ[.]σει εἰς αὐτὸν μητρικῇ φιλοστοργίᾳ, ἥτις
 ἀποκαταστήσει αὐτῷ γενομένῳ τῆς προκειμένης
 13 [ἡλικίας 54 letters] ἀντ[.] ὧν ἐὰν ἐξ ὀνόματος μου δια-
 δέξ[ηται] μεθ' ἧ ἐὰν εἰς αὐτὸν ἀναλώσῃ, παρ' ἧς οὔτε λόγους οὐτε
 14 [61 letters] τηα[.]η αὐτῷ. τὴν δ' αὐτὴν ἀδελφὴν μου
 Ἀπολλωνοῦν πρόνοιαν ποιήσασθαι βούλομαι τοῦ ἐπιτρό-
 15 [που 45 letters] ὅσα δ' ἂν ὑπὸ τὸ ἐκδ[όσιμον] ταύτης τῆς διαθήκης
 γράψω τῇ ἰδίᾳ μου χειρὶ ἥτοι ἀφαιρούμενός τι τῶν προκειμένων ἢ
 προσδιατάσ-
 16 [σων ἢ ἐτέροις χαρίζομενος ἢ καὶ ἄλλο τι βουλόμενος καὶ αὐτὰ ἔστω
 κύρια] ὥς [. . . τῇ διαθ[ήκῃ] ἐνγεγραμμέ[να], καὶ μὴ ἐξεῖναι μηδενὶ
 τῷ καθόλου παρενχειρεῖν τοῖς ὑπ' ἐμοῦ δια-
 17 [τεταγμένοις 51 letters] με[. . . ἐπι]τίμου δραχμὰς τρι[σχ]ειλίας καὶ εἰς
 τὸ δημόσιον τὰς ἴσας καὶ μηθὲν ἥσσον μένειν κύρια τὰ ὑπ' ἐμοῦ
 18 [διατεταγμένα. ἢ διαθήκη κυρία.

2. ἀγνῶ . . . ἴδιον Pap. 3. ὑπαρχειν Pap. 4. υἱόν Pap.; so in ll. 7, 8, 10. 15.
 ἴδια Pap. 16. ὑπ Pap. 17. ἴσας Pap.

5. [τὴν γνησίαν μου ἀδελφὴν Ἀπολλωνοῦτα?

8. Either ἀδ[ελφιδ]οῦν or ἀδ[ελφιδ]ῆν.

10. Perhaps μέ[ου] ἐχ[ε]ιν αὐτ[ή]ν. μέρους is possible instead of ῥουσσ at the beginning of the line.

15-6. Cf. 494. 25-7. We do not fill up the lacuna after ὥς [owing to the uncertainty of the reading in 494. 27.

17. με[] may represent some word like παραβησά[με]νον or ἐπελευσά[με]νον, or τῷ ἐμ[ε]μένοντι; cf. 494. 28. The former alternative is preferable on account of the space.

(e) CONTRACTS.

496. MARRIAGE CONTRACT.

21 × 75.5 cm.

A.D. 127.

A contract of marriage between Sarapion son of Eudaemon and Thais daughter of Sarapion, written on the *recto* of 34, the important edict of Flavius Titianus concerning archives. The ends of the lines, which are of extreme length, are lost throughout the papyrus, which has also suffered considerably from decay and discolouration; but the lacunae can almost always be restored by the aid of 265, 497, and the Fayûm contracts at Vienna and Berlin, and the sense is seldom in doubt. The result is a practically complete specimen of an Oxyrhynchus marriage contract of this period; the provisions have a general resemblance to those of documents of the same class from the Fayûm, but there are marked differences of formula. The chief clauses are:—(1) specification of (a) the dowry of Thais, comprising various articles of jewelry and dress and 1800 drachmae provided by her father, and a female slave presented by her grandmother (ll. 2-6), (b) the property brought into the common stock by Sarapion (ll. 7-8); (2) conditions of divorce (ll. 8-10); (3) provisions in case of the decease of either party (ll. 10-16). Cf. also 603-7.

- 1 Ἐτους ἐνδεκάτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ
 Φ[α]ρμ[ο]ῦθι κδ, ἐν Ὁξυρύγχων πόλει τῆς Θεβαίδος, ἀ[γα]θῇ [τύ]χη,
 ἐ[πὶ Ἰο]υλίας Σ[εβ]αστ[ῆς] ἐν ἀγνίᾳ.]
- 2 ἐξέδοτο Σαραπίων Σαραπίωνος τοῦ Σαραπίωνος τοῦ Σαραπίωνος μητρ[ὸς]
 Θα[ί]δος Σαραπίωνος ἀπὸ [Ο]ξυρυ[γ]χῶν π[ό]λ[ε]ως τὴν [ἐ]αυ[τοῦ]
 θυ[γ]ατέρ[α] Θαίδα μητρ[ὸς] . . . [σ] . . . [μ]ι[. . .] Σαραπ[ί]ωνι Εὐδ[ά]ιμονος
 τοῦ Θέων[ος] μητρ[ὸς] Ἡρᾶτος τῆς μητρ[ὸς] Δ[ι]δοῦτος,
 ἀ[π]έχει δὲ ὁ γαμῶν παρὰ Σαραπίωνος τοῦ πατρὸς
- 3 [κ]αὶ ἐκδότου . . . τῶν ζεύγους μναιαίων τριῶν καὶ τετάρτων δέκ[α] τεσσάρων
 ἡμ[ί]σις[ος] π[ε]ρ[ὶ] οὐ[κ] ἐξ ὁν τετάρτων ὁκ[τ]ῶ [. . .] οὐκ ἐξ
 ἀλυσείδ[ου]ν ἔχον χλωροὺς χ[ρ]ο[ύ]σι τοῦ χρυσοῦ ἀγοντος
 τετάρτης . . . ἥμισυ ὥς εἶναι ἐπὶ τὸ [αὐτὸ] χρυσοῦ σταθμῶ
 Ὁξυρυγχεῖτ[η] μναιαία πέντε καὶ τετάρτας

- 4 [κα]ὶ ἱματίων συνθέσεις δύο ζώνας δύο σανδουκίνην ροδίνην . ἄτιον πᾶλ(λ)ιον πάντα [δ]ὲ ἐν συντιμήσει ἀ[ρ]γυρί[ο]υ δρα[χ]μῶν πεντακοσίων ἐξήκ[ο]ντα [κ]αὶ ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς χ[ι]λίας [σ] ὀκτακοσίας ἐξήκοντα ὥς εἶναι ἐπ[ὶ] τῷ αὐτῷ τὴν ὅλην φερνήν [ἀργυρίου] Σεβαστοῦ νομίματο[ς] δραχμὰς τετρακισχίλιας ἑκατόν, καὶ ἡ
- 5 [τῆς] γαμουμένης μάμμη Θαις Σαραπίωνος μη[τ]ρὸς Ἑρακλοῦ[το]ς ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς π[ό]λεως μετὰ κυρίου τοῦ ἑαυτῆ[ς] μὲν ἐτέρου υἱοῦ τοῦ δὲ ἐκδότου γνησίου ἀδελφοῦ Σαραπίωνος [Σα]ραπί[ω]νος [ὁ]μολογεῖ ἐν ἀγνί[ᾳ] τῇ αὐτῇ ἐγδοῦναι τὴν Θαιδ[α] κ[αὶ] δίδωσι τῇ [αὐ]τῇ Θαιδί . [Καλ-
- 6 [λιτ]ύχης καὶ [τ]ῶν ἐσομένων ἐξ αὐτῆς ἐγόνων τὴν (δὲ) δουλείαν καὶ ἀπ[ο]-φορὰς αὐτ[ῆς] συνέξει ὁ γαμῶν [.] . μ[.] μων τῇ γαμου[μ]ένῃ ἐφ' ὅσον σύνεισι ἀλλή[λοι]ς, [ο]ὐκ ἐξότος τ[ῶ] γ[αμου]ντ[ι] . . . εἶσθαι τὴν δούλ[η]ν ἄν[ε]ν τῇ[ς] 12 letters]ν οὐδὲ τι προσφερόμ[ενον] οἰκίαν
- 7 [καὶ] αἶθριον κ[αὶ] αὐλὴν καὶ τὰ ταύτης χρηστήρια καὶ δοῦλα σώματα Σαραποῦν [καὶ] Νικαροῦν καὶ τὰ τῆς Ν[ικα]ροῦτος ἔκγονα Σαραποῦν καὶ Κέρδωνα καὶ [Ἑ]πίχ[αρ]μον καὶ τὰ ἐσόμενα ἐξ αὐτῶν ἢ ἄλλ[ω]ν ἐκ[γ]ονα κ[αὶ] ἂ ἐὰν πρὸ[ς] τούτοις ἐπ[ι]κτῆσθαι ἢ προσκ . [πωλεῖν οὐδὲ ὑποτίθεσθαι οὐδὲ ἄλλως καταχρ-
- 8 [μα]τίξειν χωρὶς εὐδοκουσῆς τῆς γαμουμένης . συμβιούτωσαν οὖν ἀλλή[λο]ις ἀμέμπτως οἱ γ[αμου]ντες καὶ χορ[η]γείτω ὁ γαμῶν τῇ γαμουμένη τὰ [δ]έοντα κατὰ δύναμιν, ἐ[ὰ]ν δὲ τι διαφέρωντα[ι] πρὸς ἀλλήλους κ[αὶ] βούλ[η]ται ἡ γαμουμένη ἀπαλλάσσεσθαι ἀπὸ τοῦ γαμουντος ἐπει-
- 9 [δαν] ἡ ἀπαλλαγή [γ]ίνεται (ἢ) γαμου[μ]ένη μὲν ἀποσπάτω τὴν ὀ[φ]ύλην Καλλιτύχην καὶ τὰ ἐσόμενα ἐξ αὐτῆς ἔκγονα καὶ [ἀ]ποδότην ὁ γαμῶν τῷ ἐκδότῃ ἐὰν περιῆ[ν], εἰ δὲ μή, τῇ γαμουμένη τὰς τῆς φερνῆς δραχμὰς τετρακ[ισχίλ]ιας ἑκατόν ἐν ἡμέρα[ς] ἀφ' ἧς ἐὰν ἀπαιτηθῇ ἡ ἀποτεισιάτω μεθ' ἡμιολίας
- 10 [. . .] ἔκαστα καὶ . . . ταδε κιν γένηται . ἐὰν δὲ ἐκνυ[σ] οὔσα ἡ γαμουμένη ἀπαλλαγή δώσει αὐτῇ ὁ γαμῶν ἄλλας εἰς λόγον λοχείας δραχμὰς ἐξήκοντα . σὺνφερομένων δ' αὐτῶν εἴη μὲν ὑγεία, ἐὰν δ[ὲ] ἡ τινα τῶν γαμουμένων τελευτήσῃ ἐχέτω ὁ γα-
- 11 [μῶν] τὴν κατὰ τῶν ἑαυτοῦ ἐξουσίαν ἂ ἐὰν αἰρήται ἐπιτελεῖ[ν] καὶ οἷς

- ἐὰν βούληται] μερίζει[ν.] ἐὰν δὲ μηδὲν [ἐ]πιτελέσῃ εἶναι καὶ αὐτὰ
μετὰ τελευτήν αὐτοῦ τῶν ἐξ ἀλλή[λ]ων [τ]έκνω[ν.] εἰ δὲ ἦν [ὁ]
γαμῶν πρότερος [τ]ετέλ[ε]υτηκ[ώ]ς ἐχέτω ἢ γαμουμένη [
- 12 [. . .] ἔστω ἢ γαμουμένη κατὰ τὸ ἡμίσιον ἢ ὁ ἕγγιστος καὶ ὁ ὑπὸ τοῦ
γαμοῦντος] κατασταθισόμενος κατὰ τὸ ἕτερον ἡμισυ ἀμφοτέροι
ἐπίτροποι, (τῶν) τέκνων παρὰ τῇ μητρὶ διαιτ[ο]υμένων/ ἕως ἡλικίας
γέ[ν]ων[α]ι. ἐὰν δὲ μηδένα ὁ γαμῶν τῆς ἡμισεί[ας] ἐπιτροπῆς ἐπί-
τροπον καταστήσῃ ἔστω μόνῃ ἢ γαμουμένη ἢ
- 13 ὁ [ἐ]γγιστος, οὐδενὶ ἐξόντ[ο]ς ἐκβ[α]λλεῖν αὐτὴν τῆς ἐπιτροπῆς οὐδὲ μέρ[ο]ς.
ἐὰν δὲ ἢ γαμουμένη προτέρα τελευτήσῃ τέκνων αὐτοῖς μὴ ὄντων ἐξ
ἀλλήλων ἢ καὶ τῶν γενομένων μεταλαξάντων ἀτέκνων ἀποδότω ὁ
γαμῶν τὰ ἐν φερνῇ ἀργυρίον δραχμὰς τετρα-
- 14 κισχιλίας ἐκατὸν ἐν ἡμέραις ἐξ[ῆ]κοντα καὶ ἀναπεμπέσθω εἰς τοὺς αὐτοὺς
περὶ τὴν γαμουμένην τὰ ἄλλα αὐτῆς πάντα. ἐὰν δὲ ὡσαύτως ὁ
γαμῶν [π]ρ[ό]τερος τελευτήσῃ τ[έ]κνων αὐ[τ]οῖς μὴ ὄντων ἐξ ἀλλήλων
ἢ καὶ τῶν γενομένων ἐπιμετα[λ]λαξάντων ἀτέκνων
- 15 ἀποσπάσασα τὴν δούλην Καλλιτύχην καὶ τὰ ἐσόμενα ἐξ αὐτῆς ἔκγονα,
ἕως δ' ἂν κομίσῃται κυριενέτω πάντων, ἐπὶ δὲ πασῶν τῶν διαστολῶν
ἐκλογῆς οὔσης περὶ τὴν γαμουμένην ἐὰν αἰρῶται ἔχειν τὰ προκείμενα
ἐν φερνῇ χρυσία [ἄ]γοντα τὴν αὐτὴν ὀλκὴν ἢ τὴν ἴσην συντίμησιν
- 16 τῆς πράξεως γινομένης τῇ γαμουμένη καὶ τοῖς αὐτῆς ἐκ τε τοῦ γαμοῦντος
καὶ ἐκ τῶν ὑπαρχόντων αὐτῇ π[ά]ντων καθότι πρὸς ἀλλήλους συνε-
χώρησαν. γνωστὴρ ἀμφοτέρων (2nd hand) Δ[ι]ογένης Ἰέρακος γραμ-
μ[α]τεὺς ἀπ[ὸ] τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἐν [ἀ]γνιᾷ τῇ αὐτῇ.

4. γν of σανδουκινη corr. from as (?). 5. μ of μη[τ]ρος corr. from τ. 10. κ of κιν
corr. and ν corr. from ε. 12. ρ of παρα corr. from τ (?). 1. διαιτωμένων. 15. 1. αἰρῆται.

‘The 11th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Pharmouthi 24, at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid, for good fortune, on the day of Julia Augusta, in the street. Sarapion son of Sarapion son of Sarapion son of Sarapion, his mother being Thais daughter of Sarapion, of Oxyrhynchus, has given in marriage his daughter Thais whose mother is . . . to Sarapion son of Eudaemon son of Theon, his mother being Heras daughter of . . . and Didous, who has received from Sarapion, the father and giver of the bride, a pair of . . . weighing 3 minae 14½ quarters, a brooch of 8 quarters, a . . . of 6 quarters, a chain with 3 green . . . of stone, the gold weighing [1]½ quarters, making altogether on the standard of Oxyrhynchus 5 minae . . . quarters, also 2 dresses, 2 girdles, one red the other rose-coloured, a . . . and a mantle, together worth 560 silver

drachmae, and 1860 silver drachmae, the total value of the whole dowry being 4100 drachmae of silver of the Imperial coinage. Besides this the grandmother of the bride, Thais daughter of Sarapion and Heraclous, of the same city, with her guardian who is another son of hers and the full brother of the giver of the bride, Sarapion son of Sarapion, acknowledges in the same street that she has given away Thais in marriage, and she confers upon the said Thais (the possession of the slave) Callityche and her future offspring, the services of and the profits from her to be shared by the husband with the bride so long as they live together; and it shall not be lawful for the husband to . . . the slave without his wife's consent nor anything that is brought to him by his wife, nor to sell or mortgage or otherwise dispose of his property namely a house, yard and court and its fixtures and his slaves Sarapous and Nicarous and the children of Nicarous, Sarapous and Cerdon and Epicharmus, and the future offspring of them or others, or any additional property which he may acquire, without the consent of the bride. Let both live blamelessly together, and the husband shall supply the bride with necessaries in proportion to his means; but if any difference arises between them and the bride wishes to separate from her husband, as soon as the separation takes place the bride shall withdraw the slave Callityche and the children that may be born to her, and the husband shall repay to the giver of the bride if he survives, and if not, to the bride herself, the 4100 drachmae of the dowry within . . . days from the day on which they are demanded or forfeit this amount increased by one half . . . And if the bride is at the time of separation in a state of pregnancy the husband shall give her on account of the birth 60 drachmae more. When they come together may they enjoy health; but if either husband or wife should chance to die, the husband shall have power over his own property to make any further provisions he pleases and to divide it among whom he will; but if he makes no further provisions the property shall after his death belong to their children. If the husband dies first the bride shall have . . . and she or her nearest relation on the one part and whoever shall be appointed by the husband on the other part shall together be guardians, the children being brought up with their mother until they come of age. If the husband appoints no guardian for the one part of the guardianship the bride or her nearest of kin shall act alone, and no one shall be permitted to deprive her of the guardianship nor any part of it. If the bride dies first without their having any children or when those that have been born have died childless, the husband shall repay the dowry namely . . . the 4100 drachmae of silver in 60 days and shall send to the said relations of the bride all the rest of her property. Similarly if the husband dies first without their having any children or when those that have been born have died childless, the bride shall . . . and withdraw the slave Callityche and the children that may be born to her, and until she has recovered them she shall have control over the whole property, and with regard to all the provisions the choice shall rest with the bride to have either if she prefers the aforesaid gold ornaments included in the dowry at the same weight or their equivalent value, and the bride and her agents shall have the right of execution upon both the husband and upon all his property in accordance with their agreement with each other. The certifier of both parties is Diogenes son of Hierax, scribe, of the same city, in the same street.'

1. ἐπὶ Ἰουλίᾳ Σεβαστῇ: cf. 604 and 284. 21 Κ[αίσαρ]εῖου ἐν Ἰουλίᾳ Σεβαστῇ, and note *ad loc.*

3. Apparently not ἐνωτίων ζεύγος. The mutilated word after ὀκτ[ο]ῶ is possibly [δλ]υσ[τ]ίδιον, but the vestiges do not suggest this.

χλωροῦς χ[ρ]οῦς: cf. C. P. R. 24. 5-6 ἐνωτίων ζεύγος . . . τὸ δὲ ἕτερον διάχλωρον.

4. The whole dowry of Thais came to 4100 drachmae (ll. 9 and 14), of which 560

are accounted for by the articles of dress and 1800 were paid in money, leaving 1680 to be accounted for by the value of the jewelry. Since a *μναιῖον* contained 16 *τέταρται* (9. verso 16), the items in l. 3 make 4 *μναιῖα* 13 *τέταρται* + the number of *τέταρται* in the *δυσίδιον*. A *μναιῖον* of gold is converted into 288 silver drachmae in C. P. R. 12, and at the same rate 1680 drachmae would represent $5\frac{5}{8}$ *μναιῖα*. If the figure lost in l. 3 before *ἦμισυ* was *δέκα* (no higher figure is possible), the total weight of the jewelry was $5\frac{7}{16}$ *μναιῖα*. The difference is due to variation either in the rate of exchange or in the weights.

6. *τὴν* (δέ) *δουλείαν*: in the translation we have supposed that the genitives *Καλλιπύχης* κ.τ.λ. depend on a word like *κυρείαν* lost at the end of l. 5, but *τὴν δουλείαν* may be the word on which they depend (cf. 489. 8), in which case a relative (*ās* or *ā*) must be supplied in the lacuna before *συνέξει* in l. 6.

προσφερόμενον: *προσφέρεσθαι* is the word commonly used of property brought to the husband by the bride, e.g. in a first century fragment of a marriage-contract *τὴν φερὴν προσφερομένην*.

7. For the supplement at the end of the line cf. e. g. 491. 8.

9. For the supplement at the end cf. 497. 16.

10. Some such word as *συμβῆ* is required before *τινα*; cf. 497. 11.

12. *ἔστω μόνη* κ.τ.λ.: cf. 265. 29.

13. *τὰ ἐν φερῇ*: cf. l. 15. Or *ἐνεχθέντα* may be read; cf. C. P. R. 27. 18.

15. *διαστολῶν*: sc. for the recovery of the dowry; cf. 497. 18. Cf. for the supplement C. P. R. 22. 23, 27. 19.

16. *γνωστήρ*: cf. a Vienna papyrus cited by Hartel, *Gr. Pap. Erz. Rainer*, p. 66 *τῷ βουλευτῇ Ἀντινοῶν τῷ γενομένῳ μου γνωστήρι ἐν τῇ ἐπικρίσει*, and B. G. U. 581. 13 (a deed of surety) *τὸν δὲ προγεγραμμένον . . . γνωρίζει Λούκιος Ὀκτάνιος Λόγγος ἀπολύσιμος ἀπὸ στρατείας*. The *γνωστήρ* of a person was a witness of his or her identity.

497. MARRIAGE-CONTRACT.

11.5 × 14.1 cm.

Early second century.

Contract of marriage between Theon and Ammonous, written in very long lines across the fibres of the papyrus, probably in the reign of Trajan or Hadrian. Though a mere fragment of the whole contract, the sense and construction are intelligible throughout, for the missing portions at the beginnings of the lines can be largely restored from the other Oxyrhynchus marriage-contracts of this period (265 and 496), and the Ptolemaic marriage-contracts from the Fayûm (P. Tebt. 104 and *Archiv*, I. p. 484). At the end are the signatures of the bridegroom and the bride's father, and of a third person who seems to have been concerned in receiving the dowry, but whose relation to the contracting parties is obscure.

- 1 πωλεῖν οὐδὲ ὑποτίθεσθαι οὐδ' [ἄλλως κ]αταχρηματίζειν] . . [.] μων
2 [χωρὶς εὐδοκούς τῆς Ἀμμωνοῦτος] ἐστω, κατὰ τὰ αὐτὰ μηδὲ
3 Ἀ[μμ]ωνοῦτι ἐξέστω ἀπόκοι-
4 [τον μηδὲ ἀφήμερον γίνεσθαι ἀπὸ τῆς Θέωνος οἰκίας μηδὲ ἄλλω ἀνδρὶ
συνεῖναι μηδὲ αἰσχύνειν Θέωνα ὅσα φέρει αἰσχύνην ἀνδρὶ μηδὲ φθεῖρειν
τὸν κοινὸν οἶκον. ἐὰν
5 [δὲ τι διαφέρωνται πρὸς ἀλλήλους καὶ βούληται Ἀμμωνοὺς ἀπαλλάσσεσθαι
ἀπὸ Θέωνος καὶ τῆς φερνῆς τὴν ἀπαίτησιν ποιεῖσθαι
ἀπολιποῦσα Θέωνα
6 [ἀποδότην αὐτῇ Θέων τὰς δραχμὰς κ]οσίας ἐν ἡμέ-
ραις ἐξήκοντα ἀφ' ἧς ἐὰν ἀπαιτηθῇ. ἐὰν
7 [δὲ Ἀμμωνοὺς βούληται τῆς φ]ερ[ν]ῆς τὴν ἀ[π]αίτη[σ]ιν
ποιεῖσθαι ἔστω ἀντὶ ταύτης μόνων τῶν ἐξα-
8 [κοσίων δραχμῶν] κον χορηγέτω ὁ αὐτὸς Θέων τοῖς τέκνοις
τὰ πρὸς τὴν διατροφήν
9 [ἐὰν δὲ μετὰ τὸν ἀ]π' ἀλλήλων χωρισμὸν συμβῇ τὰ
ἐξ ἀλλήλων τέκνα μεταλλάξαι
10 [ἀποδότην Θέων Χαί]ρ[η]μονι ἐὰν ζῇ εἰ δὲ μὴ τοῖς ταύτης
ἐγγιστα γένους οὖσι τὴν φερνὴν
11 [καὶ ἢ ἀποτεισάτω μεθ' ἡμ]ιολίας. συ[ν]φερομένων δ' αὐτῶν
εἴη μὲν ὑγεία, ἐὰν δὲ τ[ι]νι αὐτῶν συμβῇ τελευ-
12 [τῆσαι τῶν ἐσομένων αὐτοῖς ἐξ ἀλλήλων] [τ]έκνων ἢ τινων αὐ-
τῶν ἀφῆλικων ὄντων ἔστω Ἀμμωνοὺς καὶ ὁ ὑπὸ τοῦ Θέωνος
13 [κατασταθσόμενος ἕκαστος κατὰ τὸ ἥμισυ ἀμφοτέροι ἐπίτροποι τῶν
τέκνων] διαιτωμένων παρὰ τῇ [μ]ητρὶ μέχρι τοῦ εἰς ἡλικίαν ἔλθειν.
ἐὰν δὲ μηθεὶς πρὸς τῷ
14 [κατασταθῇ] ἐγλόγιος τούτων καὶ [τ]ῶν καταλειφθσομένων
αὐτοῖς. ἐὰν δὲ Ἀμμωνοὺς προτέρα
15 [τελευτήσῃ τέκνων αὐτοῖς μὴ ὄντων ἐξ ἀλλήλων ἢ καὶ λ]ιπόντων
ἀποδότην Θέων τῷ ταύτης πατρὶ καὶ ἐκ[δ]ότῃ Χαιρήμονι ἐὰν περιῇ, [εἰ
16 [δὲ μὴ, τοῖς ταύτης ἐγγιστα γένους οὖσι τὴν φερνὴν ἐν ἡμέραις ἀ]φ'
ἧς ἐὰν ἀπαιτηθῇ ἢ ἀποτεισάτω μεθ' ἡμιολίας. ἐὰν δὲ [ὁ Θέ]ων πρό-
τερ[ος] τελευτήσῃ

- 17 [τέκνων αὐτοῖς μὴ ὄντων ἐξ ἀλλήλων κομισ]αμένη Ἀμμωνοῦς πρώτη
τὴν φερνὴν καὶ τὰ ἄλλα αὐτῆς ἅπαντα [ἐ]κ τοῦ ὑπερ[. . .
18 [ἐπὶ δὲ πασῶν] τῶν περὶ τῆς ἀπαιτήσεως καὶ
ἀνακομιδῆς τῆς φερνῆς διαστολῶν ἢ πρᾶξις [ἔ]στω
19 [Ἀμμωνοῦτι καὶ τοῖς αὐτῆς ἐκ τοῦ Θεῶνος καὶ ἐκ τῶν ὑπαρχόντων αὐτῷ
πάντων καθάπερ ἐγ δίκη]ς καθότι πρὸς ἀλ[λ]ήλους συνεχώρησαν, τῆς
τοῦ δακτυλίου ἐγλογῆς οὐ-
20 [σης περὶ Ἀμμωνοῦν ἐὰν αἰρῇται (2nd hand) Θεῶν] τοῦ [A]χιλ-
λ[έως] Προπαπποσεβά[σ]τιος ὁ καὶ Ἀλθαιεύς μητρὸς Δημητρίας
21 [ἔ]χω τὴν φερνὴν (3rd hand) Χαιρήμων]ος ὁ καὶ Ἀλθαιεύς
ἐκδέδομαι τὴν θυγατέρα μ[ου
22 (4th hand)] Σαραπίωνος τοῦ Ἀρτεμιδώρου Αὐξιμήτριος ὁ κ[αὶ
23 δραχμ]ᾶς κεφαλαίου ἐφ' ὑμῶν ἐκ πλήρους ἐπὶ πᾶσι
24 [τοῖς προκειμένοις]ον ἔγραψα ὑπὲρ αὐτοῦ βραδέα γράφο[ντος.
25] . . . οἱ[

On the *verso*

- 26] κβ, γαμικ(ῆ) Ἀμμωνοῦ(τος) πρ(ὸς) Θεῶνα.

21. l. Ἀλθαιεύς.

23. l. ἀφ' ὑμῶν?

17-8. After [ἐ]κ τοῦ the papyrus probably proceeded ὑπὸ [τοῦ Θεῶνος ἀπολειφθισομένου . . .

20. Προπαπποσεβά[σ]τιος ὁ καὶ Ἀλθαιεύς: cf. 477. 7-8, note.

22. Αὐξιμήτριος: spelled Αὐξιμητόρειος in 261. 6 where the deme name is Λήναιος.

498. CONTRACT WITH STONE-CUTTERS.

17.8 × 8.7 cm.

Second century.

A contract by which two stone-cutters agree to supply the stone required for building a house at Oxyrhynchus at different prices according to the size and nature of the stones. Food was to be provided for them while they were engaged upon the work, and wages were guaranteed to them if their services were required by the builders, but the ornamentation of the stone is excluded from their duties. The stone was to be brought from the 'northern quarry,' which is still a noticeable feature a little way to the north of the site on the edge of the desert. The papyrus supplies several new technical terms connected with stone-cutting.

- Ἀντίγραφον. Ἀντωνία Ἀσκληπιάδι
 τῇ καὶ Κυρία διὰ Ἀπολλωνίου ἐπιτρό-
 που παρὰ Ἀσκληᾶτος Ἀλεξάνδρου
 καὶ Ἀπολλωνίου Ἀμόιτος μητρὸς
- 5 Ταύριος ἀμφοτέρων ἀπ' Ὀξυρύγχων
 πόλεως. ἐπιδεχόμεθα λαξείαν
 τῶν οἰκοδομουμένων λίθων κύ-
 βων καμηλικῶν ἀπὸ βορινῆς λατο-
 μίας εἰς οἰκίαν σου τῆς Ἀντωνίας
- 10 ἐπ' ἀμφόδου Παμμένους Παραδεί-
 σου μισθοῦ τῆς λαξείας τῶν μὲν
 ἐξωτέρω λίθων κύβων καμηλι-
 κῶν ὡς τῶν δέκα ἐξ δραχμῶν τεσσά-
 ρων [τ]ῶν δὲ ἐ[σ]ωτεριαίων ὡς τῶν
- 15 τρ[ιάκ]οντ[α] δρα[χμῶν] τεσσάρων καὶ
 τῶν [ἀ]ντιβλημάτων ὡς τῶν ἑκατὸν
 λίθων κύβων καμηλικῶν δραχμῶν τρι-
 ῶν καὶ κεφαλαιοπαραμικῶν ἐξωτ[ε]-
 ριαίων λίθων κύβων καμηλικῶν ὡς
- 20 τῶν δέκα ἐξ δραχμῶν ὀκτὼ καὶ ἐσω-
 τεριαίων λίθων κύβων καμηλικῶν
 κεφαλαιοπαραμικῶν ὡς τῶν τρι-
 άκοντα δραχμῶν ὀκτώ, πελεκημά-
 των λίθων [κ]ύβων καμηλικῶν ὡς τῶν
- 25 πεντήκοντ[α] δραχμῶν τεσσάρων καὶ
 πελεκημάτων] κεφαλε[ι]τοπαραμικῶν
 λίθων κύβων [κα]μηλικῶν ὡς τῶν πεν-
 τήκ[ο]ντα δρα[χμῶν] ὀκτώ. τὰ δὲ προκεί-
 μενα πάντα ἀ[ν]. . . λα[ξ]ε[ύσο]μεν οὐδε-
- 30 μιᾶς πρὸς ἡμ[ᾶς] οὔσης κ[ο]σμοπ[ο]ιήσε-
 ως, λήψεται δὲ ἕκαστος ἡμῶν ἐκ[άσ]-
 της ἡμέρας ἥς ἐὰν ἐργάζεται καὶ ἄρ-
 τον ἓνα καὶ προσφάγιον. ἐὰν δὲ χρεΐ-
 αν ἔχῃσι οἱ οἰκοδόμοι ὑπουργίας λαξι-

- 35 κῆς ἡμέϊς ὑπουργήσομεν ἥ καί τις ἡ-
 μῶν ἕκαστος λαμβάνων ἐ[κ]άστης
 ἡμέρας μισθοῦ ὑπουργίας δραχμὰς
 τέσσαρας καὶ ἕκαστος ἡμῶν ὁμοίως
 ἐκάστης ἡμέρας ἄρτον ἓνα καὶ προσ-
 40 φάγι[ον]. μ]έχρι δὲ δευτέρας καὶ εἰκάδος
 {μ[έ]χρι} δὲ δευτέρας καὶ εἰκάδος} τοῦ
 [ῥ]ντος μ]η[ρ]ος} Ἐπειφ ἐξόντος σοι ἐτέροις
 [μεταμισθοῦ]ν τὴν αὐτὴν λαξείαν
 [τῇ] τῶν προκειμένων λίθων κύβων
 45 [καμηλικῶν ἀπὸ βο]ρινῆς λατομίας
 [19 letters]αν σου μεθ[].
 [20 „]ς εἰς ἡμέ[ρας
 [..... κυρία ἡ ἐπι]δοχῇ. ἔτου[ς
 [26 letters]α[].

2. κ of κυρια corr. from α.

26. μῆκω— Pap.

‘Copy. To Antonia Asclepias also called Cyria, through her guardian Apollonius, from Asclas son of Alexandrus and Apollonius son of Amois, his mother being Tauris, both of Oxyrhynchus. We undertake to cut the squared building-stones transportable by camel (?) from the northern quarry required for the house of you, Antonia, in the quarter of Pammenes’ Garden, the rate of wages for the stone-cutting being for the outer squared camel stones at 4 drachmae for 16, for the inner ones at 4 drachmae for 30, for ἀντιβλήματα at 3 drachmae for 100 squared camel stones, and for oblong corner-stones at 8 drachmae for 16 outer squared camel stones and at 8 drachmae for 30 inner squared camel stones, and for chipped squared camel stones at 4 drachmae for 50 and for chipped oblong squared camel corner-stones at 8 drachmae for 50. All the aforesaid stones we will cut, but no ornamentation shall be required of us. Each of us shall receive for each day that he works both a loaf and relish. If the builders have need of our services in stone-cutting, we or one of us will provide them, each of us receiving as wages for each day’s services 4 drachmae, and likewise each of us on each day a loaf and relish. Until the 22nd of the present month Epeiph you have the right to transfer to others this contract for cutting the aforesaid squared camel stones from the northern quarry...’

8. καμηλικῶν: the adjective is new. The point of it seems to be that the stones were not to be too heavy for a camel to transport them.

16. [ἀντιβλημάτων: these stones being the cheapest were presumably the smallest, and may have been used for inserting in vacant spaces between the larger ones.

23. *πελεκημάτων*: the stones under this heading are divided into two classes, ll. 24-5 apparently corresponding to ll. 12-5, and ll. 26-8 to ll. 18-23. The *πελεκήματα* were much dearer than the *ἀντιβλήματα*, but cheaper than the others.

499. LEASE OF LAND.

30.5 × 6.5 *cm.*

A.D. 121.

Lease of 10½ aourae of land at the village of Senepta for one year, at the rent of 36 drachmae per aoura. The crop, which in the preceding year had been corn, was to be grass, of which part was to be employed for grazing, part was to be cut for hay. Other leases in the present volume are 500-2, 590, 593, 639, and 640.

Ἐμίσθωσεν Τρύφων Ἀριστάνδρ[ο]ν
καὶ Σαραπίων Ἡρώδου τῶν ἀπ' Ὀ-
ξυρύγχων πόλεως Ἀπολλωνίῳ
ᾠρου τῶν ἀπὸ κώμης Σενέπ[τ]α
15 Πέρσης τῆς ἐπιγονῆς εἰς τὸ ἐν-
εστὸς ἕκτον ἔτος Ἀδριανοῦ
Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου ἀπὸ τῶν ὑ-
παρχόντων αὐτοῖς περὶ τὴν αὐ-
τὴν κώμην ἐκ τοῦ Δίωνος κλή-
10 ρον τὰς ἀπὸ ἐπικαλάμου ἀρούρας
δέκα ἡμισυ, ὧν γίτονες ἀπηλώ-
του Διδύμου (νότου) τῶν προγεγραμ-
μένων βορρᾶ τῶν αὐτῶν
λιβὸς Σεύθου Ποτάμωνος,
15 ὥστε ξυλαμῆσαι χόρτον εἰς κοπὴν
καὶ ἐπινομήν, φόρου ἐκάστης
ἀρούρης μηδεμῖας γεωμετρίας
γενομένης ἀνὰ ἀργυρίου δρα-
χμὰς τριάκοντα ἕξ ἀκίνδυνα
20 παντὸς κινδύνου, τῶν ὑπὲρ τῆς
γῆς δημοσίῳν ὄντων πρὸς τὸν
[μ]εμισθωκότα, ὃν καὶ κυριεύειν
τῶν καρπῶν ἕως ἂν τὸν φόρον

κομίσηται. τῆς δὲ μισθώσεως
25 βεβαιουμένης ἀ[πο]δότω ὁ με-
μισθωμένος τ[ὸν] φόρον τῷ
Παῦνι μηνὶ τοῦ αὐτοῦ ἔτους,
ὃ δ' ἂν προσοφειλ[έ]σῃ ἀποτει-
σάτω μεθ' ἡμ[ι]ολίας, καὶ ἡ πρᾶ-
30 ξὺς ἔστω τῷ με[μισθω]κότῳ
[ἐκ τε] τοῦ [αὐτοῦ] Ἀπολλωνίου
καὶ ἐκ τῶν ὑπαρχόντων αὐτῷ
πάντων καθάπερ ἐγ δίκης.
κυρία ἡ μίσθωσις. (ἔτους) ἕκτου
35 Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ
Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Θεῷ κε.
2nd hand Σαραπίων Ἡρώδου συν-
μεμίσθωμαι τὰς προ-
κειμένας ἀρούρας
40 δέκα ἡμ[ι]σιν μηδε-
μῖας γεωμετρίας
γενομένης ἀνὰ ἀργυ-
ρίου δρα[χ]μὰς τριά-
κοντα ἕξ κατ' ἀρουραν
45 ὡς πρόκειται. χρόνος
ὁ αὐτός.

On the *verso*

Ἀπολλωνίου(ν)

μίσθωσις) ἐς τὸ 5 [(ἔτος).]

5. l. Πέρση. 10. ε of επικαλᾶμον corr. from α.

'Tryphon son of Aristandrus and Sarapion son of Herodes, inhabitants of Oxyrhynchus, have leased to Apollonius son of Horus, of the village of Senepta, Persian of the Epigone, for the present 6th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord from their property at the said village in the holding of Dion the 10½ arouae upon which corn has been grown, of which the adjacent areas are on the east the land of Didymus, on the south that of the aforesaid lessors, on the north the same, on the west the land of Seuthes son of Potamon, which land is to be cultivated with grass for cutting and grazing at a rent for each aroua, without a survey being made, of 36 drachmae of silver, guaranteed against all risks, the taxes upon the land being paid by the lessor, who shall be the owner of the crop until he recovers the rent. If this lease is guaranteed, the lessee shall pay the rent in the month Pauni of the said year and shall forfeit any arrears increased by one half, and the lessor shall have the right of execution upon the said Apollonius and upon all his property as if in accordance with a legal decision.' Date and signature of Sarapion.

10. ἀπὸ επικαλᾶμον: cf. Wilcken, *Archiv*, I. p. 158, P. Amh. 91. 22, note, and P. Tebt. 115. introd.

17. μηδεμίᾳς γεωμετρίας γενομένης: the point of this clause is that 10½ arouae were accepted as the accurate amount of the land, and there was to be no fresh survey which, if it brought out a different figure, might affect the rent to be paid.

500. LEASE OF DOMAIN LAND.

26 x 9.7 cm.

A.D. 130.

An application addressed to the strategus of the Athribite nome by a number of persons who wished to lease jointly, for one year probably, some domain land, offering a higher rent than that paid by the former lessees. Cf. 279, a similar application addressed to the basilico-grammateus, C. P. R. I. 32, 239, B. G. U. 640, and P. Brit. Mus. 350. The papyrus has been gummed on to a series of documents, and is numbered at the top 13.

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2nd hand [Ἰέρα]κι στρατηγῷ Ἀθριβεΐτου

[παρ]ὰ Ὀρου Ψενοβάσθ[ι]ος κ[αὶ]

[Νεκ]φερώς Θαισοῦτος κα[ὶ] . . .]ε-

5

[. . .] Περ[. . .]ς καὶ τῶν λ[ο]ύ[π]ων

[...].ιπ[.].κεφα[. . . .

Vestiges of three lines.

- 10 [12 letters]ου[.
α[. ι]ουδαίω[ν] εἰρη[μ]ένων καὶ
Ἑλλήνων . [.]ηρονομιῶν περὶ
Τετάρτου δημοσί(ας) γῆς ἀνὰ (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβας) β
(ἀρούρας) κδ' καὶ ὑπὲρ ἐπι[θ]έματος
15 τῶν ὅλων (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβας) ε καὶ περὶ Ψ[ε-
ναρσι(ῆ)σιν] τοῦ Θώστου ἀπηλιώτου δημοσίας
γῆς ἀνὰ (πυροῦ) γ (ἀρουραν) α, ἃς καὶ με[τρ]ή-
σομεν ἐξ ἀλληλεγγύης εἰς τὸ
[δη]μόσιον ἐγ νέων [γε]νημάτων
20 τοῦ αὐ(τοῦ) ιε (ἔτους) Ἀδριανοῦ Καίσαρος[ο]ς
τοῦ κυρίου.
(ἔτους) ιε Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ
Φαῶφι ε.
25 3rd hand [᾽Ω]ρος Ψενομοιθᾶτος καὶ Νεκφερῶς
[Θ]αισοῦτος ἀπὸ κώμης Σινεκθιοικῆ
τοῦ Θώστου ἀπηλιώτου μεμεσ-
θώμεθα τὰς προκείμενας ἀρούρας
εἴκοσι τέταρτ[ο]ν περὶ Τετάρτου δημο-
30 [σίας γῆς ἀνὰ πυροῦ] ἀρτάβας δύο καὶ
[ὑπὲρ ἐπιθέματο]ς τῶν ὅλων πυροῦ
[ἀρτάβας πέντε καὶ] περὶ Ψεναρσιῆσις
[δημοσίας ὁμο]ῦς γῆς ἀνὰ πυροῦ
[ἀρτάβας τρεῖς ἀρουραν μί]αν καὶ μετρήσο-
35 [μεν 20 letters] . ἐνω[ς]

4. l. [Νεκ]φερῶτος.

14. ὑπερ Pap.

27. l. μεμισθώμεθα.

32. l. Ψεναρσιῆσιν.

‘To Hierax, strategus of the Athribite nome, from Horus son of Psenobasthis and Nekpheros son of Thaisous and . . . and the rest . . . (We wish to lease) 20½ arourae of public land near Tetaphou at 2 artabae of wheat for each aoura, and for the addition upon the whole land 5 artabae of wheat, and near Psenarsiësis in the eastern part of the Thostian district 1 aoura of public land at 3 artabae of wheat, which rent we will

measure upon our mutual security into the public granary from the new crop of the said 15th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord. The 15th year of the Emperor Caesar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, Phaophi 5. We, Horus son of Psenomoithas and Nekpheros son of Thaisous, of the village of Sinekthoieku in the eastern part of the Thostian district, have leased the aforesaid $20\frac{1}{4}$ arourae of public land near Tetaphou at 2 artabae of wheat and for the addition upon the whole land 5 artabae of wheat, and near Psenarsiësis 1 aoura likewise of public land at 3 artabae of wheat, and we will measure . . .'

11-2. The genitives in these lines probably refer to the previous lessees; cf. 279. 8. α[.]ονδαίω[ν] seems to be the termination of a compound word expressing a particular class of Jews. There is room for one or two more letters in the lacuna before εἰρη[μ]έων, but the writer frequently leaves spaces between words. In l. 12 the termination -ιτων of ἡρονομιτων suggests a place-name.

13. δημοσί(ας) γῆς: in *Ost. I.* p. 646 Wilcken adopts the explanation of 'public land' proposed by Viereck (*Hermes*, xxx. p. 119) that it means land belonging to the commune ('Gemeindeland') as opposed to βασιλική γῆ 'domain land'; but in *Archiv*, I. p. 157 he speaks of P. Brit. Mus. 335, which is an application for a sub-lease of δημοσία γῆ, as if that papyrus referred to 'Domanialland,' i. e. as if δημοσία γῆ were the same as βασιλική. There is, we think, no doubt that the first theory is incorrect. The use of δημόσιος in papyri in connexion with λόγος, τράπεζα, and γεωργός, where it corresponds in the first case to Κάισρος or κυριακός (cf. *Ost. I.* p. 645) and in the other two to βασιλικός, renders such a contrast between δημόσιος and βασιλικός as is required by Viereck's theory very improbable. When we hear of land belonging to a 'Gemeinde,' as e. g. in P. Gen. 16, C. P. R. 39 and 41, it is never called δημοσία, but land ἀπὸ τοῦ πολιτικοῦ λόγου or τῆς κώμης. These instances all belong to the third or fourth century, and it is not at all likely that there were enough 'Gemeinden' previously to account for the frequent mention of δημοσία γῆ before the reign of Septimius Severus. It is far more probable that δημόσιος in the phrase δημοσία γῆ has the same meaning as in the phrase δημόσιος γεωργός (cf. P. Brit. Mus. 256 (ε) 1-2 δημόσιος γεωργοῖς εἰς ἣν γεωργοῦσι βασιλική[ν] καὶ ἱερὰν καὶ ἐτέ[ρ]αν γῆν) and, that δημοσία γῆ included βασιλική γῆ, without however superseding the older term in the manner in which the Roman δημοσία τράπεζα superseded the βασιλική τράπεζα of the Ptolemies. The evidence on which attempts have been made to draw a real distinction between δημοσία and βασιλική γῆ is extremely slender. In B. G. U. 560. 21 δημοσία and οὔσιακή γῆ are coupled together, but there δημοσία in the sense of the Crown lands of the Ptolemaic kings makes a better contrast with estates acquired by the Emperors from private persons than δημοσία in the sense of 'Gemeindeland'; and it is quite uncertain that the βασιλική γῆ mentioned two lines later is intended to be distinguished from the previously mentioned δημοσία. B. G. U. 188. 23, where the editors read νγ κλ(ηρουχίας) βα(σιλικῆς) δη(μοσίας), if δη(μοσίας) is right (which is extremely doubtful; δη(μοσιών), sc. for the δημόσια, is preferable), would rather tend to show that δημοσία γῆ coincided with βασιλική than that it was something different. In B. G. U. 285 where arourae δημοσίου are distinguished from arourae βασιλ(ικῆς), it is not certain that land at the same village is meant, nor is it at all clear that δημοσίου is there feminine, as would seem to be the view of the maker of the index to B. G. U. Under these circumstances we abandon the view expressed in P. Fay. Towns 88 introd., since there is no reason for departing from the natural meaning of δημόσιος at this period or for regarding δημοσία γῆ as anything but a general term for land belonging to the State, i. e. the imperial domains¹.

¹ Cf. also the recent discussion of δημοσία γῆ in *Festschr. zu O. Hirschfeld*, p. 140, by P. Meyer, who comes to the same conclusion as that expressed here.

14. ἐπιθίματος: for this word in the sense of 'higher bid' cf. P. Amh. 85. 21 and Wenger, *Archiv*, II. p. 61.

16. Θώστου: the supposed σ both here and in l. 27 is somewhat different from the form of that letter employed elsewhere in the papyrus. In the present passage Θώιτου could equally well be read, or possibly Θοίτου, but in l. 27 neither of these forms is possible.

26. The termination of the village-name is very cursively written, and might be -κου or -μου.

501. LEASE OF LAND.

29.6 x 7.2 cm.

A. D. 187.

A brief description of this lease of a half share of five arourae in the Oxyrhynchite nome from Heraclides and Sarapion, acting through their guardian Hermes, to Harmiusis was given in Part I. 106; but since the formula presents some novel features both with regard to arrears of rent from the preceding lease and the use of the word θέμα (cf. 516-8), we give the text here in full. The papyrus is in the Bodleian Library, MS. Gr. class. c. 47 (P).

- Ἐμίσθωσεν Ἡρακλείδης
 ὁ καὶ Διογένης καὶ Σαραπίων ὁ καὶ
 Διογένης ἀμφότεροι Διογένους
 γυμνασιαρχήσαντες τῆς Ὁξύρυχ(ων)
 5 πόλεως καὶ ὡς χρηματίζουσι διὰ
 Ἑρμοῦ ἐπιτρόπου Ἀρμύσει Ἡρᾶ-
 τος μητρὸς Ταφείβιος ἀπὸ Τισχινά-
 κιώου εἰς ἔτη τέσσαρα ἀπὸ τοῦ
 ἐνεστῶτος κς (ἔτους) ἀπὸ τῶν ὑπαρχόντων αὐτοῖς
 10 περὶ Ταμπέμου ἐκ τοῦ Φιλονεί-
 κου καὶ Χαράτος κλήρου ἡμισυ μέρος
 κοινῶν πρὸς Δημητρίαν Ἀντιμάχου
 κατὰ τὸ ἕτερον ἡμισυ ἀρουρῶν πέντε
 καὶ ψιλῶν τόπων ὥστε σπεῖραι καὶ ξυλαμῆσαι κατ' ἔτος
 15 {κατ' ἔτος} τὸ μὲν ἡμισυ πυρῶ τὸ δ' ἄλ-
 λο ἡμισυ χλωροῖς ἀποτάκτου τοῦ αὐτοῦ
 ἡμίους μέρους ἐπὶ τὴν τετραετίαν

'Heraclides also called Diogenes and Sarapion also called Diogenes, both sons of Diogenes and ex-gymnasiarchs of Oxyrhynchus, and however they are styled, through their guardian Hermes, have leased to Harmiusis son of Heras and Taphibis, from Tischinakitoou, for four years dating from the present 27th year out of their property at Taampemou in the holding of Philonicus and Charas a half share of five arouae and the vacant spaces, owned by them in common with Demetria daughter of Antimachus with respect to the other half, to be sown and cultivated in each year the half with wheat and the other half with green stuffs, at the fixed rent for the said half share in each year of the four years' period of 8 artabae of wheat on deposit and 40 drachmae. And the lessee acknowledges that he owes to the landlords arrears upon the said land for the past year 3 artabae of wheat, which he will pay as a deposit in the present year together with the deposit of the rent, guaranteed completely against all risks. If in the succeeding years any of the land becomes unirrigated, an allowance shall be made to the lessee, the landlords being responsible for the annual taxes upon the land and retaining the ownership of the produce until they have recovered their yearly dues . . .'

16. *χλωροῖς*: i.e. *χόρτος* and *ἄρακος* chiefly; cf. P. Tebt. I. pp. 563-4.

18. *ἐν θέματι*: i.e. the corn was to be deposited in the State granary to the credit of the lessor; cf. 518, introd.

34-41. Cf. the parallel passage in 101. 26-34, which is somewhat more detailed. The meaning is that the lessees actually paid the *δημόσια* to the State, but a corresponding deduction was made from the rent. *αυ* in l. 37 is perhaps *ἀνῆλώμασι*, in which case *ἰδίαις* is a mistake for *ἰδίοις*. *δαπάναις* (cf. 101. 31) cannot be read.

502. LEASE OF A HOUSE.

25.5 x 6.7 cm.

A. D. 164.

Lease of a house and its appurtenances at Oxyrhynchus for eighteen months at a rent of 200 drachmae per annum, the tenant being bound to deliver up the buildings in good repair at the end of the lease, and the landlord being responsible for the police-tax and brick-tax (cf. l. 43, note).

Ἐμίσθωσεν Διονυσία Χαιρήμο-
νος μετὰ κυρίου τοῦ υἱοῦ Ἀπίωνος
τοῦ καὶ Διονυσίου Διογένης ἱερέως
Φανστείνης Σεβαστῆς ἀμφότεροι
5 ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγχων πόλεως Πτολεμᾶ Θέ-
ωνος Ἀντινοῖδι διὰ Ἰουλάτος Αἰδύ-
μου θέσει Δημητρίου τοῦ καὶ Ἀπολ-
λωνίου ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγχων πόλεως ἐφ' ἐ-

ἑκατὸν καὶ χράσθω σὺν τοῖς παρ' αὐ-
30 τῆς τοῖς μισθουμένοις αὐτῇ ὡς πρό-
κειται ἐπὶ τὸν χρόνον ἀκωλύτως,
μεθ' ὃν παραδῶτα καθαρὰ ἀπὸ κο-
πρίων καὶ ὡς παρεῖληφεν θύρας καὶ
κλείς πάντων τῶν τόπων καὶ τοῦ
35 προκειμένου φρέατος τροχελλέαν
σὺν σχοινίῳ καὶ καὶ τὰς οὐσας λη-

νιαυτὸν ἓνα καὶ μῆνας ἕξ ἀπὸ νεομη-
 10 νίας τοῦ ὄντος μηνὸς Φαμενώθ
 τοῦ ἐνεστῶτος τετάρτου ἔτους τῶν
 κυρίων Αὐτοκρατόρων Ἀντωνίνου
 καὶ Οὐήρου τὴν ὑπάρχουσαν αὐτῇ πρό-
 15 μονος Ἀντινοέως ἐν Ὁξυρύγχων πό-
 λει ἐπ' ἀμφόδου Τεμεγενοῦθως οἰ-
 κίαν καὶ αὐλὴν καὶ αἶθρια δύο ὧν ἐν
 τῷ ἐτέρῳ ἐστὶν φρέαρ καὶ τὴν προσ-
 οῦσαν τῇ οἰκίᾳ παραδρομίδα καὶ
 20 ἕτερα χρηστήρια καὶ εἰσοδὸν καὶ ἕξ-
 οδὸν, ἐνοικίου τῶν μισθουμένων
 ὡς τοῦ ἐνιαυτοῦ ἐνδὸς [[ὡς τοῦ ἐνιαυ-
 τοῦ ἐνδὸς]] ἀργυρίου δραχμῶν διακο-
 σίων. τῆς δὲ μισθώσεως βεβαιου-
 25 μένης ἀποδῶν ἡ μεμισθωμέ-
 νη τῇ μεμισθωκῇ ἐπὶ συν-
 κλεισμῷ ἐκάστης ἐξαμήνου τὰς
 αἰρούσας τῶν ἐνοικίων δραχμὰς

νοὺς λιθίνας δύο ὑδριῶν καὶ ὅλων
 ἡ ἀποτεισάτω οὐ ἐὰν μὴ παραδῶ
 τὴν ἀξίαν καὶ ὃ ἐὰν προσοφειλέσῃ ἐ-
 40 νοίκιον μεθ' ἡμιολίας, καὶ ἡ πράξις
 ἔστω τῇ μεμισθωκῇ ἐκ τε τῆς
 μεμισθωμένης καὶ ἐκ τῶν ὑπαρχόν-
 των αὐτῇ πάντων, τοῦ φυλάκτρον
 καὶ πλινθευομένης ὄντων πρὸς
 45 τὴν μεμισθωκίαν. κυρία ἡ μί-
 σθωσις. (ἔτους) δ' Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
 Μάρκου Αὐρηλίου Ἀντωνίνου
 Σεβαστοῦ καὶ Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
 Λουκίου Αὐρηλίου Οὐήρου Σεβαστοῦ
 50 Φαμενώθ ε. (2nd hand) Ἀπίων ὁ καὶ Διο-
 νύσιος ἐπιγέγραμμαι
 τῆς μητρὸς μου κύρι-
 ος καὶ μεμίσθωκα
 σὺν τοῖς ἐπάνω τὰς
 55 ἐν τῇ αὐλῇ κέλλας.
 χρ[ό]νος ὁ αὐτός.

2. νίου Pap.
 Pap.; so in l. 42.
 dots above.

3. ἱερεως Pap.
 17. ω of ων corr. from κ.

6. αντινοῖδε, . . . ἱουλτος Pap.
 22-3. ως του . . . ενος with

26. μεμισθωκῇ Pap.; so in l. 41, and l. 45 μεμισθωκίαν.

13. ὑπαρχουσαν
 37. ὑδριων

‘Dionysia daughter of Chaeremon with her guardian her son Apion also called Dionysius son of Diogenes, priest of Faustina Augusta, both of Oxyrhynchus, has leased to Ptolema daughter of Theon, of Antinoë, through Iulus son of Didymus, by adoption son of Demetrius also called Apollonius, of Oxyrhynchus, for one year and six months dating from the 1st of the current month Phamenoth of the present 4th year of the lords and Emperors Antoninus and Verus the house which she owns, and which previously belonged to her second cousin Chaeremon, of Antinoë, at Oxyrhynchus in the Temgenouthis quarter, with the court and two yards in one of which is a well, and the portico which adjoins the house and the other fixtures and the entrance and exit, at a rent for the premises leased of 200 silver drachmae a year. If the lease is guaranteed the lessee shall pay the lessor at the conclusion of each period of six months the proportionate amount of the rent, 100 drachmae, and shall together with her assigns have the use of the premises leased to her as aforesaid for the appointed time without hindrance, and thereafter shall deliver them up free from filth and with the doors and keys received by her of all the premises, and the reel of the aforesaid well provided with a new rope, and the two existing

stone presses with the water-pitchers and trough, or shall forfeit the value of anything which she fails to deliver and any arrears of rent increased by one half, and the lessor shall have the right of execution upon the lessee and upon all her property, the lessor being liable for the police-tax and brick-making tax. This lease is valid. The 4th year of the Emperor Caesar Marcus Aurelius Antoninus Augustus and the Emperor Caesar Lucius Aurelius Verus Augustus, Phamenoth 5. I, Apion also called Dionysius, have been registered as my mother's guardian, and have leased together with the above-mentioned premises the chambers in the court. The same date.'

37. ὑδριῶν καὶ ὀλμοι: the genitives depend loosely upon ληνοῦς, as if μερά had been written.

43. φυλάκτρον καὶ πλινθεομένης: the form φύλακτρον for the police-tax is also found written out in P. Cairo 10429 (Goodspeed, *Univ. of Chicago Decennial Publications*, V. No. 10), where it is coupled with λαογραφία. πλινθεομένη (cf. 574) is clearly also a tax, and probably the payments ὑπὲρ πλινθ() in some Theban ostraca of the second century (Wilcken, *Ost.* I. p. 280) are to be identified with it. It was very likely a payment in lieu of providing so many bricks to the government and may well be a variant for the ναύβιον tax, on which see P. Tebt. I. p. 337. The fact that in one of the ostraca the tax ὑπὲρ πλινθ(ενομένης) is calculated upon the aroura would be in keeping with such a view. In the Fayûm the manufacture of bricks seems to have been a government monopoly; cf. P. Fay. Towns 36, introd.

503. DIVISION OF PROPERTY.

9.5 × 24 cm.

A.D. 118.

An agreement for the division of a house and court at the village of Kerkethuris between four persons, of whom the first, Epimachus son of Harsiësis, received $\frac{2}{5}$ of the property, his two cousins Epimachus and Petosiris each $\frac{1}{5}$, and the paternal aunt of the three, Sepsarion, $\frac{1}{5}$. A free space was to be left as an εἰσοδος to the several parts, apparently on the east side of the court.

[᾽Ε]τους δευτέρου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραιανοῦ Ἀδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ
᾽Επεὶφ ις, ἐν ᾽Ο]ξύρυγχ(ων) πόλ(ει) τῆς [Θηβ(αῖδος).

[ὁμολογοῦ]σιν ἀλλήλοις ᾽Επίμαχος Ἀρσιήσιος τοῦ ᾽Επιμάχου μητρὸς Δημήτος
καὶ οἱ ἀνεψιοὶ ᾽Επίμαχος

καὶ Πετοσεῖρις ἀμφ[ότ]εροι Διονυσίου τοῦ ᾽Επιμάχ[ο]υ μητρὸς Θατρήτος
καὶ ἡ πάντων αὐτῶν πρὸς πατρὸς τη[θ]ις Σε-

ψάριον ᾽Ε[π]ιμάχου τοῦ Διονυσίου μητρὸς Θατρήτος πάντες ἀπ' ᾽Οξύρυγ-
χων πόλεως, ἡ δὲ Σεψάριον μετὰ κυρίον [.]

5 ᾽Ερμάτος Θέωνος ἐν ἀγνιᾷ διηρῆσθαι πρὸς ἑαυτοὺς ἐξ εὐδοκούντων ἐπὶ
τοῦ παρόντος τὴν ὑπάρχουσαν αὐτοῖς

- ἐν κόμῃ Κερκεθούρει οἰκίαν καὶ αὐλὴν ἐν ᾗ φοίνικες τέσσαρες, ὧν πάντων
 μέτεστι τῷ μ[ὲν] Ἐπιμάχῳ Ἀρσιήσιος μέ-
 ρη δύο ἀπὸ μερῶν πέντε, τῷ δὲ Ἐπιμάχῳ καὶ Πετοσείρι ἀμφοτέροις
 Διονυσίου ἐξ ἴσου μέρη δύο, [τῇ δὲ Σεψαρίῳ
 [Ἐπιμάχου μέρ]ος ἐν, καὶ κεκληρῶσθαι τὸν μὲν Ἐπίμαχον Ἀρσιήσιος τὰ
 ἑαυτοῦ μέρη δύο ἐκ τοῦ ἀ[πὸ] βορρᾶ μέρους
 [15 letters διατεῖνον λίβα] ἐπ' ἀπηλιώτην ἐπὶ τὸ πέρας τῶν ὅλων
 τόπων, [τὴν δ]ὲ Σ[εψάριον] Ἐπιμά-
 10 [χου] ἐχομένως μετὰ τὸν Ἐπί[μαχ]ο[ν] Ἀρσιήσιος ἐπὶ νότον διατεῖνον λίβα
 ἐπ' ἀπηλιώτην ἐπὶ τὸ πέρα[ς] τῶν ὅλων τό-
 [πων, καὶ] τὸν Πετοσεῖριν ἐχομένως μετὰ τὴν Σεψάριον ἐπὶ νότον τὸ
 ἑαυτοῦ μέρος ἐν δι[ατείν]ο[ν] λίβα ἐ[π'] ἀπηλι-
 [ώτην ἐπὶ] τὸ πέρας τῶν ὅλων τόπων, καὶ τὸν Ἐπίμαχον Διονυσίου ἐχο-
 μένως μετὰ τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ Πετοσεῖ-
 [ριν Διονυσίου] ὁμοίως τὸ ἑαυτοῦ μέρος ἐν διατεῖνον ὁμοίως λίβα ἐπ'
 ἀπηλιώτην ἐπὶ τὸ [πέ]ρ[α]ς τῶν ὅλων τόπ[ων]
 [.]. αὐτῶν σὺν τοῖς συνεμπεσουμένοις εἰς ἃ κεκληρῶται
 φορτίοις τῶν τεσσάρων φοινίκων σὺν
 15 [.]. εἰς τὰ τοῦ Ἐπιμάχου καὶ Πετοσεΐριος ἀμφοτέρων
 Διονυσίου μέρη ο. [. . . ἀ]μφοτέρω[ν]
 [. . . συγχωροῦσ]ι δὲ οἱ ὁμολογοῦντες ἕκαστος κατὰ τὰ προκείμενα αὐτοῦ
 μέρη εἴσο[δον] 16 letters
 [. ἀπηλι]ώτου τῆς ὅλης οἰκίας καὶ αὐλῆς μέρους πλάτους λιβὸς
 ἐπ' ἀπηλιώτην πη[χών] 15 letters
 [. ἐπὶ τὸ π]έρας τῶν ὅλων τόπων εἰς ἣν εἴσοδον ἐξέσται
 αὐτοῖς ἀνεῖναι ἃς ἐὰν αἰρῶ[νται]
 [20 letters]ιαν δι' ἧς εἰσοδεύσει ἕκαστος αὐτῶν εἰς μόνα ἃ κεκληρῶ-
 [ται] ὧς πρόκειται, διο[κείν] δὲ
 20 [ἕκαστον αὐτῶν καὶ κρατεῖ]ν καὶ κυριεύειν ὧν λέλονχεν εἰς τὸν αἰεὶ
 χρόνον [. ἐ]κατε[ρ]
 [21 letters μηδὲν] ἐγκαλεῖν ἀλλ[ήλοισ] κατὰ μηδ[έ]να τ[ρόπον]

6. μ of μ[εν] corr. from ε?
 σὺν corr.

7. ἴσου Pap.
 18. εἰν of ἀνεῖναι corr.

12. κ of καὶ corr. from το.

14. υ of

504. SALE OF CATOECIC LAND.

33.2 × 13.5 cm.

Early second century A. D.

Contract for the sale of $6\frac{2}{3}$ arouae of catoecic land in the Oxyrhynchite nome for 1000 drachmae, the seller being Aphroditous, a freedwoman, acting with her husband Adrastus as *κύριος*, and the buyer being Flavius Apion. The adoptive mother of the seller, Thaisous, who seems to have had some rights of ownership over the land, appends her consent. The formula of the papyrus differs somewhat from that found in similar contracts from the Arsinoite and Heracleopolite nomes (e.g. C. P. R. I. 1 and 6). The contract is dated in the third year of an emperor who was probably Trajan or Hadrian, and is written in a small cursive hand with several mistakes of spelling and grammar. Cf. 633.

Ἔτους τρίτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος 30 letters

ιγ, ἐν Ὀξύρυγχων [πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος.

ὁμ[ο]λογεῖ Ἀφροδιτοῦς ἡ καὶ Δη[μ]αροῦς ἀπελευθέρᾳ Ἐπικράτους

Ἐπ[ι]κράτους τοῦ Ἑρακλείδου ἀπὸ Ὀξύρυγχων πόλεως καὶ θέσει θυγάτηρ

5 Ἐπικράτους καὶ τῆς τούτου γ[ν]υ[μ]ναῖκος Θαισοῦτος τῆς καὶ Θαισίας
Ἑρακλείδου

μ[ε]τὰ κυρίου τοῦ ἑαυτῆς ἀνδ[ρ]ὸς Ἀδράστου 19 letters μητρὸς

Εὐδαιμονίδος ἀπὸ Φιλόνικου τ[οῦ] 15 letters Φλαυῖν Ἀπίωνι

καὶ ὡς χρηματίζει ἐν ἀγνιᾷ πα[ρ]α[κ]εχωρηκέναι 18 letters

μενος διὰ τῶν ἐκ τοῦ ἱππικοῦ σ[ι]ο . . . λ[ι]ο[ι] 25 letters

10 τοῖς καταλοχισμοῖς ὑπομνημ[α]των τὰ[ς] ὑπαρχούσας αὐτῇ περὶ Ψῶβθιν τῆς
ἀπηλειώτου τοπαρχείας ἐκ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου τοῦ Θεοδότου τοῦ

Ἀρτέμωνος

πρ[ο]σθέματος κατυτικῆς γῆς ἀρούρας ἑξ δέμυρον ὧν οἱ γεῖ[τ]ρονες διὰ
τῶν περὶ αὐτῶν προκτήσεων οἰκονομῶν δηλοῦνται τὴν ὑπαρ[ε]ν

τῷ Φλαυ[γ]ίῳ Ἀπίωνι καὶ ἐγ[γ]όνους καὶ τοῖς παρ' αὐτοῦ παραλημψομένοις

15 [αἱ] πα[ρ]αχωρούμενοι ἀρourke ἑξ δέμυρον σὺν τοῖς ἄλλοις σημιοῖ[ς]

δύο θ . . . ποῖς κυρίως τὸν πάντα χρόνον ἀκολουθῶς τοῖς περὶ τούτων

π[ρ]οαν[ε]γγραφομένοις καὶ ἐπισταλμένοις, [ἀ]νθ' οὗ ἀπέσχεεν ἡ αὐτὴ Ἀφροδι-

τοῦς παρὰ τοῦ Φλαυ[γ]ίου Ἀπίωνος παραχωρη[τ]ικοῦ ἀργυρίου Σέβας[τοῦ]
νομίσ-

- [ματος] χειλῶν δραχμῶν ἐκ πλήρους μηθὲν παρασυνγραφήσα[σαν]
- 20 [.] . α . ου . . τὴν ὁμολογοῦσαν Ἀφρωδιτοῦν τὴν καὶ Δημαροῦν [κατὰ τὴν
[ὁμολο]γίαν ταύτην μηδὲ μέρος τρώφῃ μηθενὲ ἀλλὰ καὶ παντ[.
[. . . παρε]ξασθαι τῷ Φλα[υ]ῖ Ἀπίωνι καὶ τοῖς παρ' αὐτοῦ τὰς παραχωρ[ου-
μένας
- [ἀρούρας ἐξ δ]ίμυρον διὰ [π]άντων μὲν β[ε]βίας ἀπ(δ) π[α]ντων πάσῃ [β]εβιαίῳ
κ[α]θαράς ἀπὸ πάντων δ[η]μοσίων καὶ τῶν [ἄλλ]ων τελεσμάτ[ω]ν πάν[των] ἀπὸ
- 25 τ[ῶ]ν ἐνπροσθεν χρόνων μέχρῃ μηνὸς Κ[α]ισαρείου ἐπαγομένων [πέμπτῃς
τοῦ διελθόντος δευτέρου] ἔτους καὶ αὐτοῦ τοῦ δευτέρου ἔτους διὰ τῶν τὰ καρ-
πία τὰ ἀπὸ τοῦ ἐνεστῶτος π[ε]ρειγινόμενα εἶναι τοῦ Φλαυ[γ]ίου Ἀπίωνος,
πρ[ὸ]ς [δ]ὲ [δ]ὲ καὶ ἔσται τὰ ἀπὸ [Θῶ]θ τοῦ ἐνεστῶτος [ἐ]τους δημόσια. ἐὰν δέ τι
τούτων [ἡ] ὁμολογοῦσ[α] παρασυνγραφῇ ἄκυρον [ἔστω] καὶ προσ[α]π[ο]τινέτω
- 30 τῷ Φλαυ[γ]ίῳ Ἀπίωνι ἢ τ[ο]ῖς παρ' αὐτοῦ καθ' ἐκάστην ἐφοδὸν τό τε
β[ε]λάβος
καὶ ἐπίτιμο[ν] ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς χιλίας καὶ εἰς τὸ δημόσιον τὰς ἴσας,
καὶ μηθὲν ἥσσον. συνευδοκί δὲ πᾶσι τοῖς προγεγραμμένοις ἢ Ἀφρο-
διτοῦτος τῆς καὶ Δημαροῦτος σηματομένη θέσει μήτηρ Θαισοῦς ἢ καὶ
Θαῆσις Ἑρακλεί-
δου τοῦ Ὀλύμπου μητρὸς Ἑρακλείας ἀπὸ τῆς μη[τ]ροπόλεως τοῦ
Ἑρακλ[ε]οπολῆ-
- 35 του μετὰ κυρείου τοῦ τοῦ προγεγραμμένου καὶ μ[ε]τ[η]λλαχότος αὐτῆς ἀν-
δρὸς τῆς δὲ Ἀφροδιτοῦτος τῆς καὶ Δημαροῦτος πατρὸς Ἐπικράτους τοῦ
καὶ Ἀπίωνος ὁμομη[τ]ρίου ἀ[δ]ελφοῦ Ἑρακλείδου Ἐπικράτους ἢ καὶ [ἐ]πὶ
τούτοις συνεχώρησεν. κυρία ἢ ὁμολ[ο]γία. (2nd hand) Ἀφροδιτοῦς ἢ
κ(αὶ) Δημ[α]ροῦς
ἀπελευθέρ[α]ς} Ἐπικράτους τοῦ κ(αὶ) Ἀπίωνος Ἐπικράτους
- 40 καὶ θέσι θυγάτηρ αὐτοῦ καὶ τῆς γυναικὸς αὐτοῦ
Θαῆσις τῆς κ(αὶ) Θαισοῦτος τέθειμαι τὴν ὁμολ[ο]γίαν
καὶ παρακεχώρηκα τῷ αὐτῷ Φλαυῖ Ἀπίωνι
τὰς ὑπαρχούσας μοι περὶ Ψῶ[β]θ(ιν) ἀπηλιώτου
τοπαρχίας ἐκ τοῦ Πτολ[ε]μαίου τοῦ Θεοδότ[ου] τ[ο]υδ . . [. .
- 45 Ἀρτέμωγος προσθέματος κατοικικῆς γῆς
ἀρούρας ἐξ δ[ι]μοίρον καὶ ἀπ[έ]χω τὸ παραχω[ρ]ητικ(όν)
ἀργυρί[ο]ν δραχμὰς χιλίας καὶ βεβαιώσω [ἐ]πὶ

τοῖς π[ρ]οκίμει[ν]οῖς[ς] πᾶσι. Ἄδραστος . . . [. . .] . . . [. . .]

ἐπιγέγραμμαι τῆς γ[υν]αικὸς [μου κ]ύριος

50 καὶ ἔγραψα ὑπὲρ αὐτῆς μὴ εἰδ[υ]ίας]] γράμματα.

3rd hand Θαισοῦς ἡ κ[αί] Θαῆσις Ἡρακλείδου τ[ρ]οῦ [Ὀλύμ(που)

συννυδοκῶ οὕσα τῆς Ἀφροδιτοῦτος

τῆς καὶ Δημαροῦτος θέσει μήτηρ. Ἡ[ρακλεί-

δης Ἐπικράτους ὁ τοῦ Ἐπικράτους) πατὴρ [ἀδελ-

55 φδς ἐπιγέγραμμαι αὐτῆς κύριος κ[αί] ἔγρα-

ψα ὑπὲρ αὐτῆς μὴ εἰδυίας γράμ[μα]τα.

1st hand (?) [Ἀφ]ροδιτοῦς ὥς (ἐτῶν) κα ι () ἄσημ[ος]

Ἄ[δ]ραστο[ς] ὥς (ἐτῶν) λβ ι () ἄσημ[ος]

[Ἀπίων] ὥς (ἐτῶν) νε ι () ἄσημ[ος]

60 Θ[α]λ[σ]οῦ[ς] ὥς (ἐτῶν) με ι () οὐ(λῆ) παρὰ ὀφθ(αλ-
μὸν) ἀρ(ιστερὸν)

[Ἡρακ]λείδης(ς) ὥς (ἐτῶν) ξη ι () οὐ(λῆ) παρ[ὰ] δ[ι]. . .

9. Not λογιστ[ήριον]. 11. 1. τοπαρχίας. 12. 1. κατοικητής . . . δέμοιρον. 15. 1. τὰς
παράχωρονένας ἀρούρας ἐξ δέμοιρον. 17. 1. ἐπισταλέμοις. 19. 1. χιλίων. 21. 1. τρόψω.
22. 1. παρεξέσθαι. 23. 1. δέμοιρον διὰ [π]αυτὸς μὲν β[ε]βαίως. 24. σ of δ[η]μοσιων corr.
33. σημαינוμένη above the line.

'The 3rd year of the Emperor Caesar . . . at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid. Aphroditous also called Demarous, freedwoman of Epicrates son of Epicrates son of Heraclides, of Oxyrhynchus, by adoption daughter of Epicrates and of his wife Thaisous also called Thaësis daughter of Heraclides, with her guardian her husband Adrastus son of . . . and Eudaemonis, of Philonicus in the . . . nome, agrees with Flavius Apion however he is styled, in the street, that she has ceded to him . . . the $6\frac{2}{3}$ arouae of catocic land which belong to her near Psobthis in the eastern toparchy in the additional holding of Ptolemaeus son of Theodotus son of . . . , of which land the adjacent areas are stated in the documents dealing with the previous ownerships, and that she delivers to Flavius Apion, his children, and assigns the $6\frac{2}{3}$ arouae which are ceded, together with the other . . . , by a valid deed for ever in accordance with the returns and orders concerning them, in lieu of the sum received by Aphroditous herself from Flavius Apion for the cession, namely 1000 drachmae of Imperial silver coin, in full, and that the contracting party Aphroditous also called Demarous will not violate this contract or any part of it under any circumstances, but will deliver all the $6\frac{2}{3}$ arouae ceded to Flavius Apion and to his assigns for all time with every guarantee free from all public imposts and all other taxes from previous times up to the 5th intercalary day of the month Caesareus of the past 2nd year including the 2nd year, because the produce of the present year belongs to Flavius Apion who shall be responsible for the public imposts from Thoth of the present year. If the contracting party violates any of these provisions, her action shall be invalid and she shall in addition forfeit to Flavius Apion or his assigns for each aggression both the

amount of the damage and a fine of 1000 drachmae of silver and to the State the like sum, and nevertheless the contract shall be valid. The aforesaid adoptive mother of Aphroditous also called Demarous, Thaisous also called Thaësis daughter of Heraclides son of Olympus, her mother being Heraclea, of the metropolis of the Heracleopolite nome, with her guardian Heraclides son of Epicrates brother on the mother's side of her above-mentioned and deceased husband and father of Aphroditous also called Demarous, Epicrates also called Apion, gives her consent to all the aforesaid provisions and conceded the land upon these terms. This agreement is valid.' Signatures of Aphroditous written by her guardian Adrastus, and of Thaisous written by her guardian Heraclides, and a list of the persons concerned in the contract with their ages and distinguishing marks.

7. Φιλονίκου: a funerary inscription concerning an inhabitant of a village bearing this name was found by us at Hîbeh in 1902. Ἡρακλεοπολίτου should very likely be restored after τοῦ.

9. μενος may be the termination of παραχωροῦ|μενος referring to Flavius Apion. For ἱππικοί σταθμοί at this period cf. 482. 18, note. The sense of ll. 9-10 corresponds to C. P. R. I. 1. 11 [ἐπιτετε]λε[κέναι τήν] Πτολεμαίδα τὰς εἰς τὸν Μάρωτα [διὰ τοῦ] κατοικικοῦ λογι-στηρίου τῶν παρα[κε]χωρημένων ἀρουρῶν τριῶν οἰκονομίας.

12. προ[σ]θέματος: the technical meaning of this variant for the usual word κλήρου is obscure. καὶ cannot be read after τοῦ in l. 44.

13. προκτήσεων: cf. C. P. R. I. 187. 6 καθὼς αἱ περὶ αὐτῶν προκτήσεις περιέχουσι, and 4. 10 ὧν τὰ μέτρα καὶ τὰς γεινίας διὰ τῶν προκτητικῶν τέτακται, where the editor wrongly reads σπροκλητικῶν.

τὴν ὑπαρ[...]: no word but ὑπάρχειν in some form suggests itself, in which case τήν refers to the land. But though the construction of ll. 13-6 is difficult (τὰς παραχωρουμένας ἀρούρας must under any circumstances be read in l. 15), it is probable that τήν ὑπαρ[...] refers to Aphroditous, meaning 'having delivered' and that ὑπαρ[...] is a mistake for ὑπερ[...].

32. μηθέν ἦσσαν: for the omission of κύρια μένειν τὰ προγεγραμμένα cf. 492. 10.

57. The abbreviated word which follows the age in each case (cf. 633) is very cursively written, and might be read επιγι or απογι. The last letter is certainly not ρ.

505. SALE OF a COURTYARD.

11 × 47 cm.

Second century.

Contract for the sale of 50 square cubits or $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{100}$ aroura (nearly 14 square metres) of a court attached to a house at Oxyrhynchus from Opheas, acting as the representative of Artemidorus, to Eudaemonis, the price being 500 drachmae of silver.

1 Ὡφελᾶς ὁ καὶ Βησᾶς Σαραπάτος μητρὸς Ἀπολλωνοῦ[τ]ος ἀπὸ Ὁξυρύγχων πόλεως συσταθεὶς ὑπὸ Ἀρτεμιδώρου Ἀμεννέως τοῦ Ἀρτεμᾶτος μητρὸς Θακώριος Ἀμεννέως ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως

- 2 κατὰ συστατικὸν γινόμενον διὰ τοῦ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ πόλει μνημονεῖου τῷ
ἐνεστῶτι μηνὶ οὗ ἀντίγραφον ὑπόκειται Εὐδαιμονίδι τῇ καὶ Πλου-
τάρχῃ χρηματιζούσῃ μητρὸς Σινθώνιος Πεκύσιος
- 3 καὶ τῇ ταύτης μητρὶ Σινθώνει Πεκύσιος μητρὸς Τεενκεγοῦτος ἀμφοτέrais
ἀπὸ Τανάεως ἐξ ἴσου ἑκατέρᾳ μετὰ κυρίου τῇ μὲν Εὐδαιμονίδι τῇ
καὶ Πλουτάρχῃ Ἀμμωνίου τοῦ καὶ Διο-
- 4 νυσίου Ἀμμωνίου μητρὸς Ἀράσιος ἀπὸ Ὁξυρύγχων πόλεως τῇ δὲ Σινθώνει
τοῦ ὁμογενεῖος αὐτῆς ἀδελφοῦ Παχνούβιος χαίρειν. ὁμολογῶ
πεπρακέναι ὑμῖν ἀπὸ τῆς ὑπαρχού-
- 5 σης τῷ αὐτῷ συνεστακῆτι με Ἀρτεμιδώρῳ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ πόλει ἐπ' ἀμφοδὸν
Παμμένους Παραδείσου πατρικῆς οἰκίας καὶ αἰθρίου καὶ τῆς προσ-
ούσης αὐλῆς ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς αὐλῆς ἐκ τοῦ ἀπὸ
- 6 ἀπηλιώτου ταύτης μέρους ἐμβαδοῦ πήχεις πεντήκοντα διατείνοντας βορρᾶ
ἐπὶ νότον ἐπὶ τὸ πέρας τῆς ὅλης αὐλῆς ἀπηλιώτου{ν} δὲ ἐπὶ λίβρα
μέχρι οἷν} πληρωθῶσιν οἱ αὐτοὶ ἐμβαδοῦ
- 7 πήχεις πεντήκοντα. γείτονες τῶν αὐτῶν πωλουμένων ὑμῖν ὑπ' ἐμοῦ ἀπὸ
τῆς αὐλῆς ἐπὶ τοποθεσίᾳ πηχῶν τεσσαράκοντα νότου Διογένους καὶ
ἄλλων βορρᾶ Σαραπίωνος χρημα-
- 8 τίζοντος μητρὸς Θαισουτοῦ ἀπηλιώτου Λουκίου Ἐρεϊνίου Κρείσπου καὶ
ἄλλων λιβδὸς οἱ λοιποὶ τῆς αὐτῆς αὐλῆς τοῖχοι. τὰς δὲ συνεφωνη-
μένας πρὸς ἀλλήλους ὑπὲρ τιμῆς τῶν αὐτῶν πωλου-
- 9 μένω[ν ὑμῖν] ὑπ' ἐμοῦ ἐπὶ τοποθεσίᾳ ἐμβαδοῦ πηχῶν πεντήκοντα ἀργυ-
ρίου Σειβαστοῦ νομίσματος δραχμὰς πεντακοσίας αὐτόθι ἀπέσχον
παρ' ὑμῶν διὰ χειρὸς ἐκ πλήρους ἄσπερ
- 10 α[12 letters]ωτ[.]των[21 letters]τι[. [19 letters] . .
[. . . .] . . ιου μ[. τῶν] ἐπὶ τοποθεσίᾳ ἐμβαδοῦ πηχῶν
πεντήκοντα [.] . !

3. ἴσου Pap. 4. ὑμῖν . . . ὑπαρχούσης Pap. α of απο της corr. from ν. 5. 1.
Ἀρτεμιδώρῳ. 6. ου of ἀπηλιώτου corr. from η. 7. ὑμῖν ὑπ Pap. 1. πεντήκοντα for
τεσσαράκοντα. ν of νοτου corr. from δ. 8. θαῖσουτος . . . ὑπερ Pap. 9. ὑπ . . . ὑμῶν Pap.

‘Ophelas also called Besas son of Sarapas and Apollonous, of Oxyrhynchus, appointed as a representative by Artemidorus son of Amenneus son of Artemas, his mother being Thakoris daughter of Amenneus, also of Oxyrhynchus, by the terms of a deed of representation drawn up through the registry-office at Oxyrhynchus in the present month,

of which a copy is appended, to Eudaemonis also called Plutarche stated as the daughter of Sinthonis daughter of Pekusis, and her mother Sinthonis daughter of Pekusis and Teenkegous, both of Tanais, jointly, each with her guardian, in the case of Eudaemonis also called Plutarche, Ammonius also called Dionysius son of Ammonius and Harasis, of Oxyrhynchus, and in that of Sinthonis, her full brother Pachnubis, greeting. I acknowledge that I have sold to you of the paternal house and yard and adjoining court which belong to the aforesaid Artemidorus, whom I represent, at the said city in the quarter of Pammenes' Garden, of the said court in the eastern portion of it 50 square cubits extending from north to south as far as the end of the whole court and from east to west as far as the said 50 square cubits reach. The adjacent areas of the portion of the court sold to you by me, by survey 50 cubits, are, on the south the land of Diogenes and others, on the north that of Sarapion stated as the son of Thaisous, on the east that of Lucius Herennius Crispus and others, on the west the remaining walls of the said court. The sum mutually agreed upon between us as the price of the said land sold to you by me, by survey 50 square cubits, namely 500 drachmae of Imperial silver coin, I have received on the spot from you from hand to hand in full . . .'

3. ΤΕΕΝΚΕΟΥΤΟΣ : ΟΓ ΤΕΕΝΚΕΥΤΟΣ.

506. LOAN OF MONEY ON SECURITY.

(a) 16 × 17.7 cm., (b) 10.7 × 14.2 cm.

A. D. 143.

Contract for the loan of 1000 drachmae for two years and nine months at 6 per cent. per annum, from Sarapion to two sisters called Thatres and Teteorion, and their mother Demas, upon a mortgage of $1\frac{2}{3}$ arourae of land belonging to the sisters. The document being a copy of the original deed the signatures are omitted. For other examples of loans upon security cf. 507, P. Brit. Mus. 311, and the Florence papyrus cited on p. 172. The papyrus is in two pieces of which the exact relation to each other is uncertain, besides a small detached scrap.

(a) Ἀντίγραφ[ο]ν. ἔτου[ς] ἐβδόμου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσα[ρ]ος Τίτου Αἰλίου Ἀδριανοῦ Ἀντωνίνου

Σεβαστοῦ Εὐσεβοῦς μηνὸς Ἀδριανοῦ ἐν Ὁξυρύγχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος. ἐδάνεισαν Σαραπίων Ἡρώδου τοῦ Ἐξακῶντο[ς] ἀπ' Ὁξυρύγχων πόλεω[ς] μητρὸς Κα[ι]κ[ι]λλίας Πάλλης Θατρήτι καὶ Τετεωρίῳ ἀμφοτέrais Ἀπολλωνίου τοῦ 5 νίου τοῦ [. . .] . ος καὶ τῇ τοῦ[ς]των μητρὶ Δημάτῃ Ἀπολλωνίου τοῦ Πανε-

χώτου μη[τ]ρὸς Φιλωτέρας, ταῖς τρισὶ ἀπὸ κόμης Πέλα Περσεΐναις, ἐκάστη

μετὰ κυρί[ο]ν Θατρήτι μὲν τοῦ ἀνδρὸς Πετεύριος Ἀμμωνᾶτος τοῦ Σαγάθου
μητρὸς Πανεχώτιδος ἀπ' Ὁξυρύγχων πόλεως, Τετρωρίῳ δὲ τοῦ πρὸς
μητρὸς

θείου Πανεχώτου Ἀπολλωνίου μητρὸς Φιλωτέρας ἀπὸ τῆς προκειμένης

10 Πέλλα, Δημάτι δὲ τοῦ πρὸς πατρὸς αὐτῆς θείου Ἀτρήτος Πανεχώτου τοῦ
Ἀπολ-

λωνίου ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς Πέλλα, ἐν ἀγνιᾷ ἀργυρίου Σεβαστοῦ νομίσματος
δραχμὰς

χιλίας κεφαλαίου αἷς [ο]ὐδὲν προσῆκται τόκου τριωβολείου ἐκάστης μνᾶς
τοῦ μηνὸς ἐκάστου ἀπὸ τοῦ ἐνεστῶτος μηνὸς Ἀδριανου. ἀποδότωσαν δ' ἐ
αἱ δεδαν[ε]ισμέναι τῷ δεδαν[ε]ϊκότη τὸν μὲν [τ]όκον ἐπὶ [σ]υνκλεισμῷ

15 [ἐ]κάστης δωδεκαμήνου, τῆς π[ί]σ[τ]εως περὶ τῶν δεδαν[ε]ϊκότα οὔσης
περὶ ὧν ἔ[λ]ην μὴ ἐπιφέρωσι αὐτοῦ αἱ δεδαν[ε]ϊσμένα[ι] γ[ρ]άμματα,
τὸ δὲ κε[φ]άλαιον τῇ τριακάδι μηνὸς Καισαρ[ε]ίου τοῦ ἐνάτου ἔτους
Ἀντωνίου Καίσαρος τ[οῦ] κυρίου ἅμα τοῖς τῶν λοιπῶν μηνῶν ἐν[ν]έα
τόκοις χωρὶς υπερθέσεως. εἰ δὲ μή, [σ]υνχωροῦσι ἢ τε Θατρής καὶ Τετρώ-

20 ρ[ι]ο]ν μένειν περὶ τὸν δεδανεικότα καὶ τοὺς παρ' αὐτοῦ μεταλημ-
ψομένους ἀντί τε τοῦ κεφαλαίου καὶ ὧν ἔ[λ]ην μὴ ἀπολάβῃ τόκων
ἀπὸ τοῦ τῆς ἀποδόσεως χρόνου τὴν κράτησιν καὶ κυρεῖαν εἰς τ[ὸ]ν
αἰεὶ χρόνον τῶν ὑπαρχόντων αὐταῖς ἐξ ἴσου περὶ τὴν αὐτὴν Πέλλα
ἐκ τοῦ Διοκλέους καὶ Πτολεμαίου Πέρσου ἱππικοῦ κλήρου τρίτου μέ-

25 ρους τὸ πρὶν ἀμπελικοῦ κτήματος νυνεὶ δὲ χερσαμπέλ[ου] ἐκ τοῦ
ἀποβορρ[ο]τάτου μέ[ρ]ου[ς] τοῦ αὐτοῦ τρίτου μέρους ἄρουρα μία ἡμ[ι]σου
τέταρ-

τον τετρακαίεξ[κ]οστὸν σὺν τ[ο]ῖς ἐνοῦσι πᾶσι, [ὧν γείτονες] νότου [Σ]τεφάν[ου]
[. .]ο . τητος τοῦ . [. καὶ Θ]ατρής προκιμ[έ]νη Ἀπολλων[ο]υ βορρά τοῦ [. .

[. .] . . . αρπου καὶ [. ἀηλι]ώτου διωρ[υ]ξ τῶν αὐτῶν καὶ [.
30 τοῦ Στεφάνου λιβ[ὸ]ς 14 letters]ν ἀδελφοῦ του ἐπ[ι] . [. .
[.]στον αὐτῶν 16 letters]ας τρίτο . [20 letters

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(δ) [34 letters]ρ[.] . [

[34 „]αν[15 letters]αι μ[.]

[17 letters]μεναις [.]νι ἐπὶ τ[.]]τα

35 [15 „] καὶ ἐπάνα[γκον παρέξασ]θαι τῷ δε[δανεικότη ἡ] τοῖς
[παρ' αὐτοῦ ταῦτα διὰ π]αντὸς βέ[βαια ἀπὸ π]άντων πάσῃ βε[βαιώσει κα]ὶ κα-
[θαρὰν ἀπὸ πάσης γε]ωργ[έ]ας βα[σιλικῆς] καὶ [οὔσι]ακῆς γῆς κ[αὶ παντὸς
εἴ]δ[ος]ους

[15 letters] υς ἀπὸ δὲ δι[ημοσί]ων καὶ τελεσμά[των πάντων]ν
[ἀπὸ τῶν ἐπ]άνω χρόνων μέχρι τοῦ τῆς κυρείας χρό[νου, ἔως δ' ἂν ἀπ]οδῶ-
40 [σιν αἱ δεδαν]εισμένοι τῷ δεδανεικότη τὸ κεφ[άλ]αιον καὶ τοὺς τόκους
[οὐκ ἐξείναι τ]ῇ Θατρήτι καὶ Τετεωρίῳ ταῦτα πωλεῖν οὐδὲ ὑποτίθασθαι οὐ-
[δ' ἄλλως κατὰ] χρηματίζεῖν οὐδὲ ἀπογράφεσθαι τινα ἐπὶ τῶν ἀ[. . .]γρών,
[ἐξουσίας οὐς]ης τῷ δεδανεικότη μετὰ τὸν χρόνον μὴ ἀπολαμβάνοντα
[κυριεύειν] τούτων ἀντί τε τοῦ κεφαλαίου καὶ ὧν ἐὰν μὴ ἀπολάβῃ τόκων
45 [τριωβολείω]ν καὶ τῶν καὶ τοῦ ὑπερπεσόντος χρόνου ἴσων τρι[ω]βολείων,
[τὴν δὲ πρᾶξι]ν ποιέσθαι ἕκ τε τῶν δεδανεισμένων ἀλληλεγγύων οὐ-
[σῶν εἰς ἕκ]τισιν καὶ ἐξ ἡ[ς] ἐὰν αὐτῶν αἰρήται καὶ ἐκ τῶν προκειμέ-
[νων ἀπάν]των καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἄλλων ὑπαρχόντων αὐταῖς πάντων κα-
[θάπερ ἐγ] δί[κης], ἐξόντος τῷ δεδανεικότη ὁπόταν αἰρήται κατοχὴν
50 [αὐτῶν]χισα[σθ]αι πρὸ τοῦ τῶν ἐνκτήσεων βιβλιοφυλακίου πρὸς τὸ αὐ-
[τ] μ[ὴ] ἐλ[αττω]μένου τοῦ αὐτοῦ δεδανεικότης ἐν τῇ πρᾶξι
[ὧν ἄλλων ὁ]φέ[λει] αὐτῷ [ἡ] τε Θατρῆς καὶ Τετεωρίου καθ' ἕτερον δά-
[νειον γεγον]ός διὰ τοῦ αὐ[τοῦ] μνημονείου τ[ῶ]ν ἐνεστῶτι μὲν Ἰδριανῶ
[.]σεως τῆς μη[τρὸς] ἐπὶ ὑποθήκῃ ταῖς προκειμέναις σειτικαῖς
55 [ἀρούραις δέ]κα τέσσαρσι ἡ[μί]σει ἀργυρίου ταλάντου ἐνὸς καὶ δραχμῶν
ἐξακοσίων

[κεφαλαίω]ν καὶ τόκων, ἀ[λλὰ] εἶναι κύριον ὡς περιέχει. κυρία ἡ συγγραφή.

On a detached fragment

57] . [
] . ατων[
 ἐὰ]ν βούλ[ηται

On the verso an effaced line.

2. θηβαῖος Pap. 3. 1. ἐδάνεισεν. 7. πετεῦριος Pap. 11. ἀγνῶα Pap. 12. ι of
προσηκται corr. 16. Final α of γ[ράμ]ματα corr. from ος. 19. ὑπερθεσεως Pap. 20.
Second ε of μενειν corr. 23. ὑπαρχόντων Pap. 25. υ of ἀμπελικου corr. from ν. 26.
1. ἀρούρας μίας κ.τ.λ. 41. τρ of θατρητι corr. from ρη. ὑποτιθεσθαι Pap. θε corr. 42. ων
of των above ου which is crossed through. 45. ὑπερπεσόντος . . ἴσων Pap. 46. First ν
of ἀλληλεγγυων corr. from ψ. 54. ὑποθηκη Pap. 56. η after κυρια above the line.

'Copy. The 7th year of the Emperor Caesar Titus Aelius Hadrianus Antoninus Augustus Pius, the of the month Hadrianus, at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid. Sarapion son of Herodes son of Exacon, of Oxyrhynchus, his mother being Caecilia Polla, has lent to Thatres and Teteorion, both daughters of Apollonius son of . . . , and to their mother Demas daughter of Apollonius son of Panechotes, her mother being Philotera, all three Persians from the village of Pela, each with her guardian, of Thatres her husband Peteuris son of Ammonas son of Sagathes, his mother being Panechotis, of Oxyrhynchus, of Teteorion her maternal uncle Panechotes son of Apollonius and Philotera, of the aforesaid Pela, and of Demas her paternal uncle Hatres son of Panechotes son of Apollonius, of the said Pela, in the street, a sum of 1000 drachmae of Imperial silver coin, to which nothing has been added, at the interest of 3 obols for each mina per month dating from the present month Hadrianus. The borrowers shall pay to the lender the interest at the conclusion of each twelvemonth, the lender having security for everything for which they do not produce his written receipt, and the principal on the 30th of the month Caesareus of the 9th year of Antoninus Caesar the lord together with the interest for the remaining 9 months without any delay. If they fail, Thatres and Teteorion concede that the borrower and his assigns in place of the principal and of all interest which he may not receive shall from the time when the payment falls due have the possession and ownership for ever out of the land owned by them in equal shares near the said Pela in the cavalry-soldier's holding of Diocles and Ptolemaeus, Persian, namely the third part of what was previously a vineyard but is now dry vine-land, in the most northerly portion of the said third part $1\frac{4}{8}$ arourae with all their contents, of which the adjacent areas are, on the south the land of Stephanus . . . and Thatres the aforesaid, daughter of Apollonius, on the north . . . , on the east a canal . . . and the land of Stephanus, on the west . . . ; and (the borrowers) are compelled to deliver this land to the lender or his assigns guaranteed for all time against all risks with every guarantee and free from obligation to cultivate Crown land or Imperial estates and from all kinds of imposts and all State requisitions and taxes dating from previous times up to the period of Sarapion's ownership. And until the borrowers repay to the lender the principal and the interest, Thatres and Teteorion have no right to sell this land or mortgage it or dispose of it in any other way or register any one as owning it, while the lender has the right at the expiration of the term of the loan, if he fails to recover it, to assume the ownership of this land in place of both the principal and whatever interest at 6 per cent. he may fail to recover and interest for overtime at the equal rate of 6 per cent., and to make an execution upon the borrowers who are security to each other for payment and upon whichever of them he chooses and upon all the aforesaid land and upon the rest of their property as if in accordance with a legal decision, the lender having the right whenever he chooses to register his mortgage at the property record-office . . . , and the said lender shall incur no loss in his right of execution for the other sums which Thatres and Teteorion owe him in respect of another loan drawn up through the said registry-office in the present month Hadrianus for which their mother is security upon the mortgage of the aforesaid $1\frac{4}{8}$ arourae of wheat-bearing land, namely a principal sum of 1 talent 600 drachmae and interest, but all the provisions of that deed are valid. This contract is valid.'

24. Πέρσου ἱππευκοῦ κλήρου: cf. notes on 482. 18 and 483. 5.

37. γεωργ[ί]ας βασιδικῆς καὶ οὐσιᾶκῆς γῆς: cf. P. Amh. 95. 4, where βασιδικῆς alone is found in a similar context. We there suggested either γῆς or γεωργίας as the word to be supplied, and Wilcken (*Archiv*, II. p. 132), comparing C. P. R. 6. 16 where γῆς is found, decided in favour of the first alternative. The present passage shows however that, though βασιδικῆς refers to γῆς, γεωργίας when not expressed is to be understood; cf. 577 and 633.

42. For the restoration of the lacuna cf. 491. 8. P. Brit. Mus. 311. 13-4 should similarly be restored ἄλλως [καταχρημα]τίσαι.

44. κυριεύειν is rather short for the lacuna, which admits of one or two more letters; but cf. 270. 30, &c.

54. Probably [ἐξ ἐγγυή]σεως or [ἐξ ἀνανεώ]σεως.

507. LOAN OF MONEY UPON SECURITY.

19.7 × 8.7 cm.

A. D. 169.

An acknowledgement, addressed to Diogenes, a gymnasiarch of Oxyrhynchus, by Harmiusis, of the loan of 260 drachmae at 12 per cent. interest per annum. The money was employed in the purchase of hay, upon which the creditor was by the terms of the contract given a mortgage; cf. 508. In the left-hand margin are some notes in a different hand, which seem to have no connexion with the loan and are not reproduced.

On the *verso* is a draft of a contract (509).

Ἀρμιῦσις
ἀπὸ τοῦ α[
Διογένει Σαραπίωνος
ἡγορανομηκότι ἐνάρχῳ γυμνα-
5 σιάρχῳ τῆς Ὀξυρύγχων πόλεως νε-
ωκόρῳ Τύχῃς χαίρειν. ὁ-
μολογῶ παρὲλ[ηφέναι παρὰ σοῦ ἀρ-
γυρίου δραχμὰς διακοσίας ἐξήκοντα
κεφαλαίου αἷς [οὐδὲν προσῆκται τόκου
10 δραχμίου ἐκάστης μνᾶς τοῦ μη-
νὸς ἐκάστου ἀπὸ τοῦ [ὄντος μηνὸς
Φαρμούθι. ἀποδώσω δὲ τὸ κεφάλαιον
σὺν τοῖς τόκοις τῇ τριακάδι
τοῦ Φαμενῶθ τοῦ εἰσιμέντος
15 δεκάτου ἔτου[ς Αὐρηλίου Ἀντωνίνου
Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου χωρὶς ὑπερθέ-
σεως, εἰ δὲ μὴ [έκτε]ίσω σοι μεθ' ἡ-
μιολίας σὺν τοῖς καὶ τῆς ὑπερχρονεί-
ας ἵσοις δρα[χ]μιαῖσι τόκοις ἐκάσ-

- 20 της μνᾶς κατὰ μῆνα, τῆς πράξεως
 σοι οὔσης ἕκ τε ἐμοῦ καὶ ἐκ τῶν ὑπαρ-
 χόντων μοι π[ά]ντων. τὰς δὲ
 προκειμένας δραχμὰς διακοσίας
 ἐξήκοντα κατατέθειμαι εἰς συν-
 25 ωνὴν χόρτου ἀποτ[ε]θησομένου
 ἐν ᾧ ἔχω ἐν μισθώσει καμηλῶ-
 νι Σιμίλειω ἐν τῇ Ὀξυρύνχω[ν] πό-
 λει, ὅνπερ χόρτον οὐκ ἐξέσται μοι
 βαστάξαι οὐδὲ πωλεῖν οὐδὲ ὑποτί-
 30 θεσθαι ἄχρι οὗ ἀποδῶ σοι τὸ κεφάλ-
 λαιον καὶ τοὺς τόκους διὰ τὸ ὑπένγυ-
 ὦν σοι εἶναι. ἔὰν δέ τις κίνδυνος
 συμβῇ τοῦ αὐτοῦ χόρτου οὐδὲν
 βλάβος ἐξακολουθήσι σοι διὰ τὸ
 35 εἶναι τὸ ἀργύριον σὺν τοῖς τόκοις
 ἀκίνδυνον παντὸς κινδύνου. κύρι-
 ον τὸ χειρά[γ]ραφον δισσὸν γραφὲν
 πανταχῇ ἐ[πι]φερόμενον.
 (ἔτους) θ Ἀυτοκράτορος Καίσαρος
 40 Μάρκου Αὐρη[λί]ου Ἀντωνίνου Σεβαστοῦ
 [Σ]αρματικοῦ Μ]ηδικοῦ Παρθικοῦ Μεγίστου
 [Φαρμούθι . .]

29. βα of βασταξαι corr.

31. ὑπενγνον Pap.

‘Harmitisis . . . to Diogenes son of Sarapion, ex-agononomus, gymnasiarch in office at Oxyrhynchus, priest of Fortune, greeting. I acknowledge that I have received from you the sum of 260 drachmae of silver to which nothing has been added, at the interest of 1 drachma upon a mina for each month from the current month Pharmouthi. And I will repay the principal with the interest on Phamenoth 30 of the coming 10th year of Aurelius Antoninus Caesar the lord without delay, or if I fail I will forfeit the amount increased by one half together with interest for the overtime at the same rate of 1 drachma a month for each mina, for which you are to have the right of execution upon both myself and all my property. The aforesaid 260 drachmae I have employed in buying up hay which is to be stored in the camel-shed of Similis at Oxyrhynchus which I have on lease, and it shall not be lawful for me to remove or sell or pledge this hay until I repay you the principal and interest, because it is mortgaged to you. And if any accident should happen to the said hay no damage shall accrue to you, because the sum and the interest are

guaranteed against all risks. This bond, of which there are two copies, is valid wherever produced. The 9th year of the Emperor Caesar Marcus Aurelius Antoninus Augustus Sarmaticus Medicus Parthicus Maximus, Pharmouthi . . .'

9. αἰς [οὐδὲν προσῆται: cf. 269. 5, 506. 12.

13. τῇ τριακάδι: loans were usually repayable on the last day of the month; cf. 269. 5, 506. 17.

26. καμηλώνι: cf. 533. 22 and B. G. U. 393, a lease of a καμηλών.

508. SECURITY FOR A DEBT.

13.3 × 11.1 cm.

A. D. 102.

A contract between Stephanus and Heraclas, by which the former apparently accepts liability for the repayment of two loans from Heraclas to Rufus and Diocles, but the papyrus breaks off before the details of the transaction are made clear.

Ἔτους πέμπτου Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος

Νερούα Τραιανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Γερμανικοῦ

[μ]ηνὸς Καισαρείου λ, ἐν

᾽Οξύρυγχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος.

5 ὁμολογεῖ Στέφανος ὁ καὶ Ἀμόις Σωσιβίου

τοῦ Ἀπολλοφάνους μητρὸς Πτολλαροῦτος

Χαιρήμονος τῶν ἀπ' ᾽Οξύρυγχων πόλεως

Ἑρακλᾶτι Ἑρακλ(ᾶτος) τοῦ Ἀρθώνιος μητρὸς

Δημητροῦτος ἀπὸ τῆς αὐτῆς πόλεως ἐν ἀ-

10 γνίᾳ γεγονέναι ἐπ' ὀνόματος τοῦ ὁμολο-

γούντος Στεφάνου κατὰ πίστιν δάνεια δύο

[.] ὧν ἐκ τοῦ ἰδίου ὁ Ἑρακλᾶς ἐδάνεισεν διὰ

τ[ο]ῦ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ πόλει μνημονείου, κατὰ

μὲν τὸ πρῶτον τῷ Μεχεῖρ μηνὶ τοῦ β (ἔτους)

15 [Τ]ραιανοῦ Καίσαρ[ος] τοῦ κυρίου Ρούφω Διο-

[κ]λέος τοῦ Διοκλέ[ος] μητρὸς Διδύμης Ρου-

φίωνος ἀργυρίου δραχμῶν τετρακοσίων

πεντήκοντα ἐντόκων ἐφ' ὑποθήκῃ τῶν δι-

ὰ τοῦ αὐτοῦ δανείου δηλωθέντων τοῦ

20 'Ρούφου ἐνγαίων, κατὰ δὲ τὸ ἕτερον τῷ Τῦ-
 βι μηνὶ τοῦ ἐχομένου τρίτου ἔτους τῷ
 τοῦ 'Ρούφου ὁμογενσίῳ ἀδελφῷ Διοκλεῖ
 ἄλλων ἀργυρίου [δρ]αχμῶν τετρακοσίων
 δέκα ἐξ κεφα[λαίου ἐφ'] ὑποθήκη τῶν [διὰ
 25 τοῦ αὐτοῦ δη[λωθέντων] ἐνγαίων, ἀπ[ερ]
 δάνειά ἐστ[ι] παρὰ τῷ 'Η]ρακλᾷ, ᾧ καὶ ἐξεί-
 [ναι

2. τραῖανον Pap. ; so in l. 15. 3. λ by 2nd hand. 4. θηβαῖδος Pap. 8. ασι
 ηρακλ(ατος) by 2nd hand. 9. ἀγνῖα Pap. 12. ἰδιον Pap. 14. First ε of μεχειρ corr.
 from η. 20. αι of ἐνγαίων corr. from ε by 2nd hand.

'The 5th year of the Emperor Caesar Nerva Trajanus Augustus Germanicus, the 30th of the month Caesareus, at Oxyrhynchus in the Thebaid. Stephanus also called Amoïs, son of Sosibius son of Apollophanes, his mother being Ptollaraus daughter of Chaeremon, inhabitants of Oxyrhynchus, acknowledges to Heraclas son of Heraclas son of Harthonis, his mother being Demetrous, also of Oxyrhynchus, in the street, that he, Stephanus, the contracting party, has become security for two loans which Heraclas lent from his own money through the record-office at the said city, the first being in the month of Mecheir of the 2nd year of Trajanus Caesar the lord to Rufus son of Diocles son of Diocles, his mother being Didyme daughter of Rufion, for 450 silver drachmae bearing interest secured upon a mortgage of the real property of Rufus stated in the loan, the second being in Tubi of the following 3rd year to Rufus' full brother Diocles for 416 more silver drachmae upon a mortgage of his real property stated in the loan, which loans are in Heraclas' possession, and Heraclas has the right . . .'

509. MODIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT.

19.7 x 8.7 cm.

Late second century.

This draft-agreement, in which the names of the principal parties are not given, is a modification of a previous contract by which the writer had appointed a representative to collect a debt owed to him at Alexandria. The debt having been paid in the meantime, the writer now limits the duty of his representative to issuing a receipt for it. For contracts appointing representatives cf. 94, 97, and 261. The document is written on the *verso* of 507.

Τίς τινι χαίρει[ν.] τῇ ἐνεστώσῃ ἡμέ-
 ρᾳ συνέστησά σε [κατ'] ἀ δημόσιον χρημα-
 τισμὸν διὰ τοῦ [ἐ]ν[θ] ἀδε ἀρχαίου ἀπαι-
 τήσοντα Γάιον Μέμ[.]μειον Κ[ο]ρνου-
 5 θον τὸν καὶ Πολυδεύκην ὄντα ἐν Ἀλεξαν-
 δρείᾳ τὸ κατ' ἐμὲ ἤμισυ μέρους τῶν ὀφει-
 λομένων ὑπ' αὐτοῦ τῷ κληρονομήσαν-
 τι ὑπὸ τοῦ αὐτοῦ πατρός μου ἀδελφι-
 δῶ [α]ὐτοῦ Ἑρακλείδῃ τῷ καὶ Ἀμοιτᾷ,
 10 τυγ[χά]νω δὲ πεπληροφορημένος
 τοῖς ὀφειλομένοις μοι. ὁμολογῶ
 τὸ {ν} συστατικὸν πεπυῆσθαι σ[ο]ι
 πρὸς τὸ μ[.]όνον τὴν ἀποχή[ν]
 ἐκδοθῆν[.]αι ὑπὸ σοῦ τ[ο]ῖς δημοσίο(ις)
 15 μηδὲν λαμβάνοντ(ος) καὶ ἀπολῦ-
 σαι τὴν ὑποθήκην, διὰ τὸ ἐμὲ
 ὥς πρόκειται ἤδη ἀπεςχη-
 κέναι καθ' ἃ ἐξεδόμην ιδιό-
 γραφα γρ[άμμ]ατα, καὶ μηδὲν
 20 ἐνκαλεῖν περὶ μη]θενὸς ἀπλῶς.

4. γάιον Pap. 12. 1. πεποιῆσθαι. 13. Final ν of μονον corr. from σ.

'A to B, greeting. To-day I appointed you by a public deed drawn up through the record-office here as my representative to collect from Gaius Memmius Cornutus also called Polydeuces, who is at Alexandria, my share of the sums owed by him to my said father's heir, his nephew Heraclides also called Amoitais, but it happens that I have been paid the debt in full. I acknowledge that the contract of representation has been made with you for the sole purpose of your issuing a receipt to the officials without receiving anything, and for cancelling the mortgage, because I have, as aforesaid, already received the money as stated in the autograph receipts which I have issued, and I make no claim on any matter whatever.'

7-9. The relationship of the different persons mentioned in this contract is rather difficult to make out, especially owing to the omission of the names of the principals. Apparently the father of the man who speaks in the first person had bequeathed certain sums owing to himself at his death to his nephew Heraclides with the stipulation that half of them was to be paid to his son. τοῦ αὐτοῦ in l. 8 refers to the father (of τις), whose name would be given in the actual contract. αὐτοῦ in l. 9 also refers to the father.

(f) RECEIPTS.

510. REPAYMENT OF A LOAN.

14.5 x 13.5 cm.

A. D. 101.

Acknowledgement by Artemidorus of the sum of 472 drachmae, being the repayment of a loan to Dionysius and his wife, together with the interest and other expenses connected with the transaction.

τούτου . . . [20 letters] γ[10 letters
 νου μητρὸς Τὰ[ν]σερίως τῆς [. . .]ωπ[. . .] ἀπὸ Ψώβθ[ε]ως
 ἀπηλιώτου μετὰ κυρίου τοῦ αὐτοῦ ἀνδρὸς Διονυσίου
 ἐν ἀγνιᾷ ἀπέχειν παρ' αὐτῶν ἀργυρίου Σεβαστοῦ νομί-
 5 ματος δραχμὰς τετρακοσίας ἐβδομήκοντα δύο κε-
 φαλαίου ἂς ἐδάνεισεν αὐτοῖς κατὰ δανείου συνγγρα-
 φὴν τὴν τελειωθείσαν διὰ τοῦ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ 'Οξυρύγ-
 χων πόλει μνημονεύου τῷ τρίτῳ ἔτι Τραιανοῦ Καίσαρος
 τοῦ κυρίου μηνὶ Καισαρείῳ εἰς ἀπόδοσιν πέμπτην
 10 ἐπαγομένων τοῦ ἐξῆς τετάρτου ἔτους ἐπὶ ὑποθήκῃ τοῖς
 ὑπάρχουσιν τῷ Διονυσίῳ ἐν τῇ προκειμένῃ Ψώβθ[ε]ι
 ἡμ[ί]σει μέρει ψειλῶν τόπων καὶ μέρεσι οἰκίας
 συμπεπτωκυῖας καὶ ἡμίσει μέρει ἐτέρας οἰκίας
 καὶ τῶν ταύτης χρηστηρίων καὶ μέρεσι ἐτέρας οἰ-
 15 κίας καὶ αὐλῆς καὶ ψειλῶν τόπων καὶ πρότερον
 Κλαυδίου Θεωνοῦ ἐν τῇ αὐτῇ Ψώβθ[ε]ι οἰκίᾳ καὶ αἰθρίῳ
 καὶ ἐτέροις χρηστηρίοις. διὸ λύσιν ποιούμενος
 ὁ Ἀρτεμίδωρος τῆς ὑποθήκης αὐτόθι ἀναδέδω-
 κεν οἷς ὁμολογεῖ τὴν ἐπίφορον τοῦ δανείου
 20 συνγραφὴν καὶ τὰ τῶν τελῶν σύμβολα εἰς ἀκύ-
 ρωσιν, προσαπεσχθέναι δὲ παρ' αὐτῶν καὶ τοὺς
 τοῦ αὐτοῦ κε[φ]αλαίου τόκους καὶ ἃ ἀπῆρται τέ-
 λη, μήτε αὐτὸν Ἀρτεμίδωρον μηδ' ἄλλον ὑπὲρ

αὐτοῦ ἐγκαλεῖν μηδ' ἐγκαλέσειν μηδ' ἐπε-

25 [λεύσεσθαι οἷς ὁ]μολογῇ μηδὲ [τε] τοῖς παρ' αὐτῶν

[23 letters] . . . ε[.]οσγ. [. . .

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5. Second α of τετρακοσίας corr. from ο or σ. 7. εν corr. from τε. 10. ο of ετους
corr. from ι. 13. ε of μερεῖ corr. from α. 18. Second α of ἀναδεδωκεν corr. from ε.
22. First υ of αὐτου corr. from α. 23. 1. μηδὲ for μητε.

'... her mother being Tausiris daughter of . . . , from Psobthis in the eastern toparchy, with her guardian her said husband Dionysius, acknowledges the receipt from them (the agreement being made in the street) of the capital sum of 472 silver drachmae of the Imperial coinage, lent by him to them in accordance with a contract of loan executed through the record-office in the same city of Oxyrhynchus in the month Caesareus of the 3rd year of Trajanus Caesar the lord, and to be repaid on the 5th intercalary day of the following 4th year, on the security of property of Dionysius in the aforesaid Psobthis consisting of a half-share of some open plots of land and shares of a house that has fallen in and a half-share of a second house and its fixtures and shares of another house and court and open plots and the house and yard and other fixtures formerly belonging to Claudius Theon at the said Psobthis. Artemidorus accordingly in release of the mortgage has forthwith handed over to the other parties to the agreement the binding contract of loan and the tax-receipts to be cancelled, and acknowledges the further receipt from them of the interest upon the capital sum and the taxes which have been demanded from him, and that neither Artemidorus himself nor any other person on his behalf either makes or will make any claim or will proceed against the other parties to the agreement...'

3. For the omission of τοπαρχία after ἀπηλιώτου cf. 533. 17.

7. τελειωθείσαν: cf. 239. 9, note.

19. τὴν ἐπίφορον τοῦ δανείου συγγραφῆν: cf. 266. 14 ἦ]ς (sc. συγγραφῆς) τὴν ἐπίφορον αὐτόθεν ἀναδεδωκέναι. This use of ἐπίφορος is derived from the common formula at the end of contracts of loan κυρία ἡ ὁμολογία πανταχῇ ἐπιφερομένη καὶ παντὶ τῷ ἐπιφέροντι (cf. 269. 12, &c.).

20. τελῶν: the tax on mortgages is meant; cf. 511. 4-5, note.

511. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LOAN.

13.3 × 7 cm.

A. D. 103.

A receipt for 16 drachmae lent by Didymus to Harmiusis to enable the latter to pay the amount of the tax upon a mortgage. The loan was only a temporary accommodation, to be returned immediately. The writing is across the fibres of the papyrus.

Ἀρμιῦσις ὁ καὶ Ἡρακλᾶς
 Δ[ι]δύμῳ Σαραπίωνος δημο-
 σίῳ ἀφροδ(ισιαστῇ?) χαίρειν. ἔχω
 παρὰ σοῦ λυπὸν τέλος
 5 ὑποθήκ(η)ς τῆς ἐπὶ τοῦ
 γ (ἔτους) Τραιανοῦ Καίσαρος
 τοῦ κυρίου ἀργυρίου δρα-
 χμὰς δέκα ἑξ, / (δραχμαὶ) ις, ἂς
 καὶ ἀποδώσω σοι ἐπὶ
 10 τῶν τόπων γενόμενος
 ἀνυπερθέτως.
 (ἔτους) ζ Αὐτοκράτορος
 Καίσαρος Νερούα Τραιανοῦ
 Σεβαστοῦ Γερμανικοῦ
 15 Δακικοῦ Θῶθ ς.

2. ω of δημοσίῳ above the line.
 11. τ of ἀνυπερθετως above the line.

4. λ. λοιπόν. 5. κ of υποθηκ(η)ς above the line.
 15. θω of θωθ over an erasure.

'Harmiusis also called Heraclas to Didymus son of Sarapion, keeper of a public ἀφρόδιαιον, greeting. I have received from you the remainder of the tax upon a mortgage of the 3rd year of Trajanus Caesar the lord, namely 16 drachmae of silver, total 16 drachmae, which I will repay to you when I arrive on the spot without delay. The 7th year of the Emperor Caesar Nerva Trajanus Augustus Germanicus Dacicus, Thoth 6.'

2-3. δημοσίῳ ἀφροδ(ισιαστῇ?): the papyrus is rubbed and the reading somewhat uncertain, but though ἀφροδισιαστής does not seem to occur elsewhere it is a likely enough word. On the ἀφροδίσια of the Ptolemaic period cf. P. Tebt. I. 6. 29, note. The present passage supports the view that the supply of ἐταῖραι in Roman times was a monopoly of the government; cf. P. Grenf. II. 41 and *Fay. Tōwms*, pp. 149 sqq.

4-5. τέλος ὑποθήκ(η)ς: cf. 348, 510. 20. The amount of the tax upon mortgages, which is also known by the more general term ἐγκύκλιον, is shown by 243 to have been 2 per cent., payable by the mortgagee.

6. γ (ἔτους): the receipt being dated in the 7th year, Harmiusis' payment was four years in arrear. This seems a remarkably long period, but the figure before (ἔτους), though rubbed, is certainly γ and not ς.

512. PAYMENT FOR FODDER.

11.5 x 10.3 cm.

A. D. 173.

An acknowledgement to Apion, an ex-gymnasiarch, from Dorion, an ex-exegetes, that he had bought green-stuff produced by Apion for 1720 drachmae. Of this sum 600 drachmae were paid to Apion, and the rest was to be paid to the agents of the heirs of Aurelius Antiochus, who were no doubt Apion's landlords and thus received approximately $\frac{2}{3}$ the value of the crop.

Δωρίων ἐξηγητεύσας καὶ ὡς χρη-
ματίζω Ἀπίωνι τῷ καὶ Διονυσίῳ γυ-
μνασιάρχῃ(σαντι) καὶ ὡς χρηματ(ίζεις) χαίρειν. ἡγό-
ρασα παρὰ σοῦ ἃ ἔχεις ἐν μισθῶσι χλωρὰ
5 ἐντὸς περιχώματος Σαμψουχίνου λε-
γομέν[ο]ν (δραχμῶν) Ἀψκ, ἐξ ὧν μετεβαλό-
μην σοι (δραχμὰς) χ τὰς δὲ λοιπὰς (δραχμὰς) Ἀρκ μετα-
βαλοῦμαι πραγματευταῖς κληρονόμων
Αὐρηλίου Ἀντιόχου ἀκολουθῶς τῇ εἰς
10 σὲ μισθῶσι, καὶ τὴν τούτων ἀποχὴν
ἀναδῶσω σοι. (ἔτους) ιγ Αὐρηλίου
Ἀντωνίνου Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου
Φαμενώθ ιβ.

4. υ of σου corr. from ι.

‘Dorion, ex-exegetes and however he is styled, to Apion also called Dionysius, ex-gymnasiarch and however he is styled, greeting. I have bought from you the green-stuffs of the land which you have on lease within the surrounding-dyke called that of Sampsouchinus for 1720 drachmae; of which sum I have paid you 600 drachmae and will pay the remaining 1120 drachmae to the agents of the heirs of Aurelius Antiochus in accordance with the terms of your lease, and I will deliver to you the receipt for them. The 13th year of Aurelius Antoninus Caesar the lord, Phamenoth 12.’

513. RECEIPT FOR SALE OF CONFISCATED PROPERTY.

34.2 x 11.7 cm.

A. D. 184.

An acknowledgement from Diogenes to Serenus of the receipt of 705 drachmae 3 obols 3 chalci. This sum had been paid by Diogenes to the State in A. D. 181 as the price (including extra payments) of some confiscated house-property, which had been sold to him by the strategus at an auction. Two years later however a much higher bid for the property, amounting to three times that of Diogenes, was made by Serenus, to whom it was assigned by the dioecetes, the arrangement of the strategus being thus overridden. In the present document Diogenes acknowledges that he has been repaid by Serenus the sum which he had expended on the purchase. The papyrus throws some interesting light upon the methods of the government in dealing with confiscated property, and incidentally provides important information with regard to the banks at this period; cf. notes on ll. 7 and 37.

[Διογένης ὁ καὶ Διονύσιος Σ]αραπίωνος τοῦ Ἑρμίου [Φυλα-
ξιθα]λ[ίσσειος ὁ καὶ] [Ἀλθα]ιεύς Σερήνω Φιλίσκου τοῦ Σ[αρα-
πίωνος μητρὸς Ἑλένης ἀπ' Ὁξύρυγχων πόλεως χ[αίρειν.

ἐπεὶ ἐκυρώθη ὑπὸ Νεμεσιανοῦ τοῦ στρατηγῆ-

5 σαντος τοῦ νομοῦ τῷ δευτέρῳ καὶ εἰκοστῷ

ἐπὶ Αὐρηλίου Κομμόδ[ου] Ἀντωνίνου

Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου μην[ι] Ἀδριανοῦ ἀπὸ ἀπρά-

των τῆς διοικήσεως οἰκ[ίαν] καὶ αἶθριον καὶ αὐ-

λὴν σὺν χρηστηρίοις ὄντα ἐπ' ἀμφόδου Λυκίων

10 Παρεμβολῆς πρότερον Σαραπίωνος γενομένου

[.] . ἔγε . [.] γου τεταρτ[.]] τῶν τῆς συντειμῆ-

[σε]ως δραχμῶν ἑξακ[οσίων κ]αὶ τῶν ἐπομένων, κ[αὶ]

ταύ[τας] παρεγράφη ὑπὸ τοῦ τοῦ νομοῦ βασιλικοῦ

γ[ραμ]ματέως Περικλέους σ[ύ]ν προσδιαγραφομένοις

15 [ἐν] δραχμαῖς ἑξακοσίαις τριάκοντα ἑπτὰ τριωβόλῳ

[ό]μοίως καὶ ὑπὲρ τόκου δευτέρου καὶ εἰκοστοῦ ἔτους

[δρα]χ[μὰς] τριάκοντα ἑνέα τριώβολον ἡμιωβέλ[ιον] χαλ[κοῦς] τ[ρίς] καὶ

τρίτου καὶ εἰκο-

[στο]ῦ ἔτους δραχμὰς εἴκοσι ὅκτω ὀβολ[οὺς] δύο [ἡ]μιωβέλ[ιον], γίνονται τό-

- [κου] δραχμαὶ ἐξήκοντα ὀκτὼ χαλκοὶ τρεῖς, διέγραψα δὲ εἰς τὸ
 20 [δημ]όσιον τὰς τῆς τειμῆς τῆς οἰκίας σύνπαντι
 [δρ]αχμὰς ἐξακοσίας τριάκοντα ἑπτὰ τριώβολον
 [όμο]ίως καὶ τὸν τόκον τὸν [ό]ν[ό]ματί μου παραγρά-
 [φέ]ντα ὄν(τα) ἐν δραχμαῖς ἐξήκ[ο]ντα ὀκτὼ χαλκοῖς τρισί, ὧν
 [κα]ὶ τὰ σύμβολα ἐπὶ ὑπογραφῆς μου τοῦ Διογένους τοῦ
 25 [κ]αὶ Διονυσίου ἀνέδωκα σοὶ τῷ Σ]ερήνῳ ἕνεκα τοῦ ὑ-
 [περ]βεβλήσθαι τὴν προκειμένην οἰκίαν ὑπὸ σοῦ
 [το]ῦ Σερήνου καὶ ἀναβεβι(βά)σθαι εἰς δραχμὰς χειλίας
 [όκ]τακοσίας καὶ παραδεδοῦσθαι σοι ταύτην ἐξ ἐπιστο-
 [λῆς τ]οῦ κρατίστου διοικητοῦ Οὐεστιδίου Ἐ[ρ]ομφεί[ου]
 30 [. . . .] .[.] τοῦ σ[τ]ρατηγῆσαντος τῷ ἐνεστῶτι τετ[ά]ρ-
 [τ]ῳ καὶ εἰκοστῷ ἔτει Μεχεῖρ τριακάδι τῶν δραχμῶν
 [χ]ειλίων ὀκτακοσίων καὶ τῶν ἐπο[μ]ένων καὶ τὸν
 βασι[λι]κὸν παρα[γ]εγραφέναι σε ἀκολουθῶς ᾧ με-
 τέδωκεν προσγράψῃ μετὰ τὰς διαγραφείσας ὑπ' ἐμοῦ
 35 [δ]ραχμὰς ἐξακοσίας τὰς λοιπὰς δραχμὰς χειλίας δια-
 κοσίας καὶ τὰ τούτων προσδιαγραφόμενα, ὁμολογῶ
 [κ]ατὰ προσφώνησιν Ἐπιμάχου ἀσχολουμένου ὧν ἡ τῆς
 [ἐπ]ὶ τοῦ πρὸς Ὁξυρύγχων πόλει Σαραπίου τραπέζης ἀπεσ-
 [χηκ]έναι με παρὰ σοῦ ἃς διέγραψα ὡς πρόκειται ὑπὲρ μὲν
 40 [τιμῆ]ς καὶ προσδιαγραφόμενων δραχμὰς ἐξακοσίας τριά-
 [κον]τα ἑπτὰ (τριώβολον) ὑπὲρ δὲ τόκου δραχμὰς ἐξήκοντα ὀκτὼ
 [χαλ(κοὺς) τρεῖς,] τὰς ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτὸ δραχμὰς ἑπτακοσίας πέντε τριώβολον
 χαλκοῦς
 [τρεῖς, καὶ μη]δέν σοι ἐνκαλεῖν μηδὲ ἐνκαλέσειν μήτε
 [περὶ το]ύτων μηδὲ περὶ ἄλλου μηδενὸς ἀπλῶς μέχρι
 45 [τῆς ἐν]εστῶσης, καὶ ἂν τις ζήτησις περὶ τούτου πρὸς σὲ γέ-
 [νηται] ἢ τοὺς παρὰ σοῦ μεταλημψομένους ἐγὼ αὐτὸς τοῦ-
 [το ἀν]αδέξομαι. παρὼν δὲ ὁ πατήρ μου Σαραπίων Ἐρμίου τοῦ
 [Ἐρμίου Σ]ωσικόσμους ὁ καὶ Ἀλθαιεὺς [[ό]] εὐδο[κ]εῖ το[ί]ς
 [προκ]ειμένοις. κυρία ἡ ἀποχή. (ἔτους) κδ Ἀντοκράτορος Καίσαρος
 50 [Μάρκου] Ἀ[ύρ]ηλίου Κομμόδου Ἀντωνίνου Σεβαστοῦ Εὐσεβοῦς
 [Ἀρμεν]ικοῦ Μηδικοῦ Παρθικοῦ Σαρματικοῦ Γερμανικοῦ Μεγίστου

- [.] (2nd hand) Διογένης ὁ καὶ Διονύσιος Σαραπίωνος Φυλαξιθα-
[λάσσει]ος ὁ καὶ Ἀλθαιεύς ἀπέσχον παρὰ τοῦ Σερήνου τὰς
[προκειμένας] ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτὸ δραχμὰς ἑπτακοσίας
55 [πέντε τρι]ώβολον χαλκοῦς τρεῖς πλήρης καὶ οὐ-
[δὲν αὐτ]ῷ ἐγκαλῶ οὔτε περὶ τούτου οὔτε περὶ ἄλλου
[οὐδε]νὸς ἀπλῶς ὡς πρόκειται, καὶ ἔάν τις ζήτη-
[σις] περὶ τούτου γένηται πρὸς αὐτὸν ἢ τοὺς αὐτοῦ
[ἐγὼ] αὐτὸς τοῦτ[ο] ἀναδέξομαι. (3rd hand) Σερήνος Φιλίσκου τοῦ Σαρα-
60 [πίωνος] μητρὸς Ἑλένης[ς] ἐὺδοκῶ τοῖς προκειμένοις κ[αὶ] ἔσχον τὰ
[σύμβ]ολα ἐφ' ὑπο[γραφή]ς σοῦ [ὡς] πρόκειται. (4th hand) Σαραπίων
[Ἑρ]μίου τοῦ Ἑρ[μίου] Σωσικόσ[μιος] ὁ καὶ Ἄλ-
[θαιεύς] εὐδοκῶ πᾶσι τοῖς προ[κειμένοις].
(5th hand) [Ἑ]πείφ δ[ι]. [.] . ι . κολλ[η]. [.]
65 κ[ε]χρη[μάτι]σται ?) []

7. 1. Ἀθριανῶ. 14. ους of περικλείους corr. from ως. 19. ε of διεγραφα corr. from α.
28. ο of παραδεδοσθαι corr. from α. 29. 1. Οθεντιδίου. 46. υ of μεταληψομένους corr.
from σ.

‘Diogenes also called Dionysius, son of Sarapion son of Hermias, of the Phylaxithal-
lassian tribe and Althaeac deme, to Serenus son of Philiscus son of Sarapion, his mother
being Helene, of Oxyrhynchus, greeting. Whereas I was assigned by Nemesianus, then
strategus of the nome, in the 22nd year of Aurelius Commodus Antoninus Caesar the lord
in the month Hadrianus from the unsold property of the Treasury a house, yard, and
court with the fixtures, situated in the quarter of the Lycians’ Camp, previously owned
by Sarapion, late . . . , at 600 drachmae according to the valuation and the extra payments,
and whereas I was registered by the basilico-grammateus of the nome, Pericles, as owing
this sum together with the additional payments, making 637 drachmae 3 obols, and likewise
for interest for the 22nd year 39 drachmae $3\frac{1}{2}$ obols 3 chalci, and as interest for the 23rd year
28 drachmae $2\frac{1}{2}$ obols, making a total of 68 drachmae 3 chalci for interest, and whereas
I paid into the public bank for the price of the house in all 637 drachmae 3 obols and
likewise for the interest debited to me the sum of 68 drachmae 3 chalci, the receipts
for which payments with the signature of me, Diogenes also called Dionysius, I have
delivered to you, Serenus, because you have made a higher bid for the aforesaid
house and have raised the price to 1800 drachmae, and the property has been made
over to you by a letter of his highness the dioecetes, Ventidius Rufinus . . . , ex-strategus,
in the present 24th year on Mecheir 30 for the 1800 drachmae and extra payments,
and the basilico-grammateus has debited you in accordance with the supplementary
note which he has issued, after reckoning the 600 drachmae paid by me, with the remaining
1200 drachmae and the additional payments: I acknowledge that in accordance with
a communication of Epimachus who farms the bank at the Serapeum at Oxyrhynchus
I have received from you the sums which I paid as aforesaid, for the price and the
additional payments 637 drachmae 3 obols and for interest 68 drachmae 3 chalci, making

a total of 705 drachmae 3 obols 3 chalci, and that I neither have nor will have any claim against you with regard to this or any other matter whatever up to the present day, and if any action is brought against you or your assigns with regard to this, I will take the responsibility upon myself. My father Sarapion son of Hermias son of Hermias, of the Sosicrasmian tribe and Althaeon deme, being present consents to the aforesaid. This receipt is valid. The 24th year of the Emperor Caesar Marcus Aurelius Commodus Antoninus Augustus Pius Armeniacus Medicus Parthicus Sarmaticus Germanicus Maximus . . . I, Diogenes also called Dionysius, son of Sarapion, of the Phylaxithalassian tribe and Althaeon deme, have received from Serenus the aforesaid total of 705 drachmae 3 obols 3 chalci in full, and I have no claim against him with regard to this or any other matter whatever, as aforesaid, and if any action is brought against him or his in connexion with this, I will take the responsibility upon myself. I, Serenus son of Philiscus son of Sarapion, my mother being Helene, consent to the aforesaid provisions and have received the receipts with your signature as aforesaid. I, Sarapion son of Hermias son of Hermias, of the Sosicrasmian tribe and Althaeon deme, consent to all the aforesaid provisions. Epeiph 4, executed . . .'

1. [Φυλα]ξιθ[α] [ἀσσειος ὁ καὶ] [Ἀλθα]μεύς: cf. l. 52 and 477. 7-8, note. It is curious that the father of Diogenes belonged to a different tribe; cf. l. 48 Σωσικόσμιος ὁ καὶ Ἀλθαμεύς. Since the Phylaxithalassian was in all probability an Alexandrian tribe (cf. Kenyon, *Archiv*, II. p. 78) it is most likely that the Sosicrasmian was also Alexandrian.

7. ἀπράτων τῆς διοικήσεως: the present passage serves to explain B. G. U. 18, a papyrus which caused Wilcken some difficulty; cf. *Ost.* I. pp. 505-6. The ἐν ἀπράτοις ὑπάρχοντα there were no doubt, as here, *confiscated* land and houses, and the commission appointed by the basilico-grammateus was limited to the assessment (συντιμήσασθαι B. G. U. 4; cf. l. 11, here) of this particular kind of property and has no reference to a valuation of private property in general. The συντίμησις was a kind of reserve price serving as a basis for higher offers; cf. the distinction drawn in 500. 13-4 between the regular rent of δημοσία γῆ and the ἐπίθεμα or increase.

11. The vestiges of the first word would suit [ἀρ]χιτεω[ρ]γοῦ; cf. 477. 4. But we hesitate to introduce that rare and curious title here, especially as τεταρτ[ι] is quite obscure.

12. For ἐπομένων in connexion with the purchase of confiscated property cf. P. Amh. 97.

14. We explained the ἐπόμνη as referring to the πρόσσδος, or yearly payment to the State, mentioned in P. Brit. Mus. 164. But it would also be possible to refer the ἐπόμνη to the προσδιαγραφόμενα and τόκοι which are added on here in ll. 14 sqq. to the original 600 drachmae of the συντίμησις. The προσδιαγραφόμενα here amount to 6½ per cent. on the 600 drachmae.

16. τόκον: though Diogenes bought the property in Hadrianus (Choiak) of the 22nd year, he seems not to have paid the purchase price until towards the middle of the 23rd year. Hence the necessity for interest.

37. ἀσχολουμένου ὄντην τῆς . . . τραπεζίης: this passage which clearly indicates that the bank at the Serapeum was farmed out by the government throws quite a new light upon the relation of the State to the banks in the Roman period. From Rev. Laws lxxiii sqq. it was known that under the Ptolemies the banks other than the βασιλικάι τράπεζαι were farmed out by the government; cf. Wilcken, *Ost.* I. p. 635. But in the absence of any indications in the Roman period that the banks called by names of individuals were anything but private banks, it has generally been supposed that the bank-monopoly enjoyed by the Ptolemaic government had been abolished (cf. *op. cit.* p. 647). But it is clear that in the case of this bank at any rate the privilege of administering it had to

be bought from the government; and it is noticeable that in 91. 8 sqq., written four years later than 513, ἐπιτηρηταί of the bank at the Serapeum are mentioned, and the Epimachus who issues the ὑπόσχεσις (91. 11) is probably identical with the Epimachus here. Since ἐπιτηρηταί are commonly found in connexion with ὧναί (op. cit. p. 599), the two papyri point to the same conclusion, and raise the problem how far the banks which are simply called by the name of an individual were really private. The bank at the Serapeum is mentioned in previous reigns (cf. 98. 8, 264. 7) under the names of different persons, and more probably they were either the ἀσχολούμενοι or the ἐπιτηρηταί of it than the owners. If this be granted, the persons who elsewhere give their names to banks may well be to a large extent, if not wholly, in the same position, and the condition of the banking business in the Roman period would not differ very much from that in the Ptolemaic. One change however can be traced; the δημοσία τράπεζα plays a less important rôle in Roman times than the βασιλική τράπεζα had done previously, for most private transactions were in the Roman period conducted through the ιδιωτικαὶ τράπεζαι (cf. 305), whereas under the Ptolemies the existence of banks other than βασιλικάι is only known from the Revenue Papyrus. A tax called τραπέζικόν(?) occurs in 574, being perhaps a charge for the maintenance of the official banks.

514. RECEIPT FOR SALARY.

6.4 X 12 cm.

A. D. 190-1.

A receipt for an ὀψώνιον of 400 drachmae, addressed to two collectors of the corn-revenues by an unnamed person who was very likely a σιτολόγος, since he undertakes the registration (καταχωρισμός) of the account-books; cf. 515. The writer has made so many erasures and interlinear additions that the construction is in parts obscure. The papyrus was written in the 31st year of Commodus.

- 1 Νεῖλω χρη(ματίζοντι) μητρὸς Σοή(ριος) καὶ τῷ σὺν αὐτῷ ἀπαιτητ(ῇ)
σι(τικῶν)
- [[σα χαί(ρειν) ἔσχον παρ' ἐ(μῶν)]] ὀφειλόντ(ων) ὑπ(έρ) καὶ
- 2 φόρων τῶν ἐν Ταλαῶ [[ἐχόντων]] περὶ Σιναρὺ
γενήμ(ατος) τοῦ διελ(θόντος) λ (έτους)
- 3 χαί(ρειν). ἔσχον παρ' ὑμῶν ὑπὲρ ὀψωνίου ἀργυρίου (δραχμᾶς) υ,
ὅντος πρὸς ἐμέ.
- 4 τοῦ καταχωρισμ(οῦ) τῶν βιβλ(ων) [[οντ καὶ τῆς ἀπαιτ(ήσεως)]]
- 5 [[ῆς πεποίημαι προχ(ρείας?) ὑπ(έρ) τῆς ᾱ ἐν Ταλ(αῶ) ἔχοντος?) π(ερὶ?)
Σιναρὺ ὄντ(ος)]]
[[πρὸς ὑμᾶς]]

2. εν below ἀπρ which is crossed through.

3. ὑμων Pap.

'To Nilus, stated as the son of Soëris, and his colleague in the collection of the corn-revenues due at Talao and in the district near Sinaru for the produce of the past 30th year, greeting. I have received from you as my salary 400 drachmae, I being responsible for the registration of the books.'

2. It is not clear with what ὑπ(έρ) is to be connected. The analogy of l. 5 suggests that it governs τῶν, but from its position after δφειλόντ(ων) it would seem to refer to γενή(ματος).

5. α with a stroke over it may be either αὐ(τοῦ) or (πρότερον).

515. RECEIPT FOR TAXING-LISTS.

11.7 × 14.6 cm.

A. D. 134.

A receipt issued by the keepers of the public record-office at Oxyrhynchus to the sitologi of certain districts in the nome, stating that they had registered in the records various account-books of these officials. Cf. P. Amh. 69, a statement by sitologi that they had registered (καταχωρίζειν is used as here) their account-books with certain officials appointed to take them to Alexandria.

Φιλίσκος καὶ Ἡρώδης βιβλ(ιοφύλακες) δημο(σίων) λόγων Χαιρή(μονι) καὶ
Παπο(ντῶτι) σιτολ(όγοις)

Μονίμ(ου) τόπ(ων) καὶ Ἡρακλ(είδῃ) σιτολ(όγω) Σινγκ() τόπ(ων) καὶ
Διονι(σίῳ) γενομ(ένῳ) Μεμ() τόπ(ων) χαίρειν.

κατεχωρίσθη ἡμεῖν διὰ Ἀπολ(ωνίου) γραμματέως τῇ λ τοῦ Φαμενώθ τοῦ
ιη (ἔτους)

Ἀδριανοῦ Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου ἐκάστης σιτολ(ογίας) κατ' ἄνδρα συνπλη-
(ρώσεως)

5 (πυροῦ) γενήμ(ατος) ιξ (ἔτους), καὶ Χαιρήμ(ων) καὶ Παπο(ντῶς) Μονίμ(ου)
τόπ(ων) καὶ Ἡρακλ(είδης)

Σινγκ() τόπ(ων) [τὸ] μηνιαῖον ἐπὶ κεφαλαί(ου) τοῦ Μεχείρ, καὶ ὁ Χαιρή(μων)
καὶ Παπο(ντῶς) μόνοι Μονίμ(ου) τόπ(ων) καὶ μηνιαῖ(ον) Φαμενώθ καὶ
μεταδόγ(ιδον)

κατ' ἄνδρα ἰσδοχῆς. (2nd hand) Θέων γραμματεὺς σεση(μείωμαι).

'Philiscus and Herodes, keepers of the public records, to Chaeremon and Papontos, sitologi of the Monimus district, and Heraclides, sitologus of the Sink . . . district, and

Dionysius, ex-sitologus of the M . . . district, greeting. There has been registered with us through the scribe Apollonius on Phamenoth 30 of the 18th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord the detailed list for each sitologus-district of the supplementary payments of wheat-produce for the 17th year, and by Chaeremon and Papontos for the Monimus district and by Heraclides for the Sink . . . district the monthly summary for Mecheir, and by Chaeremon and Papontos only for the Monimus district both the monthly summary for Phamenoth and the secondary detailed list of receipts. Signed by me, Theon, scribe.'

2. Σιγκ() τόπ(ων): no doubt identical with Σικκ() in 517. 6.

Μεμ(): the second letter is more like ν, but the μ above the line is fairly certain, being just like the second μ of Μονίμ(ου).

3. Apollonius was probably the scribe of the sitologi, since the scribe of the βιβλιοφύλακες, who appends his signature at the end, is called Theon.

7. μεταλόγι(ν): this word, which is new, would seem to be connected with the phrase μετὰ λόγον which occurs in Fayûm tax-receipts (cf. P. Fay. Towns 53. 2-3, note), and to indicate a second tax-list giving the details of the individual payments, as contrasted with the μηνιαῖον which only gave the totals.

516. ORDER FOR PAYMENT IN KIND.

18.3 x 9.1 cm.

A. D. 160.

Authorization addressed to the sitologi by Dionysius, a victor in the games and late exegetes, for the payment to Apion of a quantity of wheat. 810-82 are a series of similar notices to the sitologi, another specimen of which is 88. These διαστολικά (cf. 533. 4) appear to be, so far, peculiar to Oxyrhynchus; and clearly indicate that the sitologi, besides receiving dues to the government, undertook the storage of grain for private individuals, the public granaries thus presenting the closest analogy to the public banks. The correlatives of these orders on the sitologi are found in the receipts issued by them stating that a certain payment had been made, e.g. 517-8. Those two documents are clearly concerned with private transactions, notwithstanding the opening formula μεμέτρηται εἰς τὸ δημόσιον; and they show that caution must be exercised in the explanation of other sitologus receipts from the Fayûm and elsewhere, which need not refer to payments to the government of rent or taxes in the absence of an express statement to that effect. Cf. also 501. 18, 24, 26, and 533. 24.

Διονύσιος Φαύστου τοῦ καὶ
 Ἀμφείωνος τῶν ἱερονικῶν)
 καὶ ἐξηγητευκότῳ τῆς Ὁξύρυγχων)
 πόλεως διὰ Ὡρίωνος γραμματ(εως)

5 σιτολ(όγοις) μέσης τοπ(αρχίας) Κερκευ(ρώσεως) τόπ(ων)

χαίρειν. διαστείλατε

ὡς ἔχετέ μου ἐν θέματι

πυροῦ γενήμ(ατος) τοῦ διελ(θόντος) κγ (ἔτους)

Ἀντωνεῖνου Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου

10 Ἀπίωνι Ἀπίωνος ἀρτάβ(ας)

εἴκοσι πέντ[ε] ἡμισυ χοῖνικας) ἐννέα,

/ (ἀρτάβαι) κε (ἡμισυ) χ(οῖνικες) θ. (ἔτους) κδ Ἀντωνεῖνου

Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου Ἀθύρ κα.

2nd hand Ἀπίων Ἀπίωνος) ἐπήνεγκα.

‘Dionysius son of Faustus also called Amphion, a victor in the games and sometime exegetes of Oxyrhynchus, through Horion, scribe, to the sitologi of the district of Kerkeurosis in the middle toparchy, greeting. Supply to Apion son of Apion of the wheat belonging to me from the produce of the past 23rd year of Antoninus Caesar the lord which you have on deposit 25½ artabae 9 choenices, total 25½ art. 9 choen. The 24th year of Antoninus Caesar the lord, Athur 21. (Signed) Presented by me, Apion son of Apion.’

2. τῶν ἱερωνικ(ῶν): a ἱερωνίκης or victor in one of the great games had special privileges; cf. 59. 12-3, where a ἱερωνίκης claims exemption from the duty of attending the praefect's court at Alexandria, and P. Brit. Mus. 348. 6 τῶν ἱερωνικῶν καὶ ἀτελῶν.

5. Κερκευ(ρώσεως): cf. 625, where the name is written out.

517. RECEIPT FOR PAYMENT IN KIND.

10.5 × 5.6 cm.

A. D. 130.

Copy of a receipt issued by a sitologus and others stating that 30 artabae of wheat had been transferred from the account of Papontos to that of Sarapion. As explained in the introduction to the preceding text, both this papyrus and 518, which is similar in contents, have every appearance of referring to transactions between private individuals; and they are to be regarded as certificates from the sitologi corresponding to orders for payment such as 516. Cf. 612-7.

Ψώβθ(εως), διεστάλ(ησαν) τῷ ιδ (ἔτει ?)

ἀπὸ Σενέπ(τα) (ἀρτάβαι) λ.

Μεμέτρη(νται) εἰς τὸ δημ(όσιον)

- (πυροῦ) γενήμ(ατος) ἰδ (ἐτους) Ἀδριανοῦ
 5 Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου
 διὰ Θέωνος σιτολ(όγου) Σιγκ()
 καὶ μισθωτ(ῶν) Ἡρακλείδ(ου)
 Ἀντίου Ὡρου καὶ Πτολ-
 λατ[ο]ς Σαραπί[ω]νι
 10 Ἡρώδου ἀπὸ θέματ(ος)
 Παποντῶτ(ος) Δωροθ(έου)
 γεωργ(οῦ) (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβαι) τριάκον-
 τα πέντε, / (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβαι) λε.
 Ὡρος διὰ Στεφά(νου) γραμματέως) σεσημείωμαι)
 15 τὰς τοῦ (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβας) τριάκον-
 τα πέντε, / (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβαι) λε.
 Πολλᾶς διὰ Διόμου
 γραμ(ματέως) σεσημείωμαι
 τὰς τοῦ (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβας) τριάκοντα
 20 πέντε, / (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβαι) λε.

'Psobthis, paid in the 14th year from Senepta, 30 artabae. Measured into the public granary, from the produce of the 14th year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord through Theon sitologus of Sink . . . and Horus and Ptollas, lessees of Heraclides son of Antias, to Sarapion son of Herodes out of the deposit of Papontos son of Dorotheus, cultivator, 35 artabae of wheat, total 35 art. of wheat. (Signed) I, Horus, through Stephanus, clerk, have certified the 35 artabae of wheat, total 35 art. of wheat. I, Ptollas, through Diomus, clerk, have certified the 35 artabae of wheat, total 35 art. of wheat.'

1-2. Whether these two lines have any connexion with what follows is uncertain. They appear to have been written by the same hand as the rest of the text, but this fact does not establish any essential relationship since the handwriting of the signatures in ll. 14-20 shows the receipt to be only a copy.

6. Σιγκ() : sc. τῶων; cf. 515. 2.

518. RECEIPT FOR PAYMENT IN KIND.

10.7 x 8.9 cm.

A.D. 179-180.

Receipt for a payment through the sitologi of 4 artabae of wheat to the credit of Sarapion; cf. introd. to the preceding papyrus.

Μεμέ(τρηνται) ἰς τὸ δη(μόσιον) (πυροῦ) γενή(ματος) [το]ῦ διελ(θόντος)
 ιθ (ἔτους) Ἀνρηλίων Ἀντωνίνου
 καὶ Κομμόδου Καيسάρων τῶν
 κυρίων διὰ σι(τολόγων) λιβῶ(ς) τ[ο]π(αρχίας) Ἐπι() τόπ(ων)
 5 Σαρα[π]ίωνι Χαρισίου θέμ(ατος) (ἀρτάβαι) δ
 / (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβαι ?) [δ.] (2nd hand) Διογ(έννης) σι(τολόγος) σεσημ(είωμαι)
 τὰς τοῦ (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβας) δ.

6. (πυροῦ) after του corr.

‘Measured into the public granary from the produce in wheat of the past 19th year of the Aurelii Antoninus and Commodus, Caesars and lords, through the sitologi of the district of Epi . . . in the western toparchy to Sarapion son of Charisius a deposit of 4 artabae, total 4 art. of wheat. (Signed) I, Diogenes, sitologus, have certified the 4 artabae of wheat.’

6. Διογ(έννης): or perhaps Δῖος.

(g) ACCOUNTS.

519. ACCOUNT OF PUBLIC GAMES.

(a) 8.9 × 6 cm., (b) 11.1 × 6.6 cm. Second century.

Two fragments, apparently in the same hand, though the writing is a little larger in one case than in the other, from accounts of receipts and expenditure in connexion with the public games at Oxyrhynchus. (a) gives a list of payments on Mecheir 23 for a theatrical entertainment, including the high sums of 496 drachmae to an actor, and 448 drachmae to a Homeric rhapsodist, besides payments for music and dancing. The other fragment (b) contains the end of a list of receipts which amounted to 500 drachmae 1 obol in all, the exegetes and cosmetes contributing 95 drachmae 1 obol. There follows (ll. 4-13) a list of payments in connexion with a religious procession (κωμασία), which amounted to 124 drachmae 96 obols, the silver and copper being, as often, added up separately, and then (ll. 14-6) another list of payments to gymnastic performers.

(a)

L ἀπεδόθη

Μεχ(εῖρ) κγ

μίμψ (δραχμαὶ) νγς,
 ὀμηριστῇ (δραχμαὶ) νμη,
 5 καὶ ὑπὲρ μου[σ]ί[κῆς] (δραχμαὶ) . . .
 [ὀ]ρχηστῇ [(δραχμαὶ)] ρ[.]δ

(b)

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 ἀπ . . [. . . πα]ρὰ τοῦ ἐξη(γητοῦ) (δραχμαὶ) μβ,
 παρὰ τοῦ κοσμητ(οῦ) (δραχμαὶ) νγ (ἡμιωβέλιον),
 / (δραχμαὶ) φ (ὀβολός).
 10 L ἀνηλ(ώθησαν) κωμασταῖς Νεῖλ(ου) (δραχμαὶ) κ,
 κωμασταῖς θεῶν (δραχμαὶ) νς,
 ἱπποκόμοις (δραχμαὶ) ις,
 ἱεροδοῦ(λοις) ιδ ὀβ(ολοὶ) πδ,
 πλου() ἱεροδοῦ(λοις) (δραχμαὶ) κ,
 15 κήρυκι (δραχμαὶ) η,
 σαλπικτῇ (δραχμαὶ) δ,
 παιδίοις ἀρίστου ὀβ(ολοὶ) ς,
 παλμῶν ὀβ(ολοὶ) ς,
 / L (δραχμαὶ) ρκδ ὀβ(ολοὶ) qς.
 20 [. .] . α() πανκρατ(ιαστῇ) (δραχμαὶ) . [. .
 [. .] ανωνι ἀνταγ(ωνιστῇ) (δραχμαὶ) [
 [. .] . νι πύκτῃ μῆ . () ι[

1. L (cf. ll. 10 and 19) is the sign for subtraction.

14. Though ν is written above the line, πλοῦ was perhaps meant.

18. παλμῶν: probably from a Graecized form of *palma*.

520. ACCOUNT OF A SALE.

22.4 × 17 cm.

A. D. 143.

Report of a sale of articles from a miscellaneous store (παντοπώλειοι) belonging—or lately belonging—to a man called Chares. The fact that the report is rendered to three overseers (ἐπιτηρηταί) and that the result of the sale was paid

over to them renders it extremely probable that the goods had for some reason been confiscated by the government, and sold by auction. For ἐπιτηρηταί in this connexion cf. B. G. U. 49. 5 ἐπιτ(ηρητῆς) γενημ(ατογραφουμένων). The account was originally glued on the left side to another document, now lost.

- 1st hand κς, παντοπ(ωλίου) Χάρητ(ος).
 2nd hand (?) προσάνγγελμα παντοπωλ(ίου) λα . [. .
 Χάρητος Ἀμμωνίωνι καὶ Ἑφαιστῆ
 καὶ Λυκαρίωνι ἐπιτηρητ(αῖς) (ἔτους) 5
 5 Ἀντωνείνου Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου Ἐπε[ί]φ [. .
 Νείκτος ταριχίω(ν) διπλ(ῶν) β [(δραχμαὶ) β,
 Διδύμου πλεκτῶ(ν) 5 [(δραχμαὶ)
) ἔλ(ασσον)
 (ὀβολοὶ δυο), Πτολεμαίου ταριχίω(ν) διπλ(οῦ) α [(δραχμῇ) α,
 Ἀμμων[ῆ]τος Γαίου Κερκενητ() χα() διπε . . () [
 10 Ἰουλᾶπ[ος] στιβάδων γ [
 Σερᾶτος ταριχίω(ν) διπλ(ῶν) β [(δραχμαὶ) β,
 Σαραπίωνος γύρεως (ἀρταβῶν) β [
 ἐτέρου Σαραπίωνος σελία(ν) φορτ[ί]ω(ν) γ [
 τοῦ αὐτοῦ σιδή(ρου) ἡργ(ασμένου) μν(ῶν) β (δραχμαὶ ?) [
 15 Παρόδου σιδή(ρου) ἡργ(ασμένου) μν(οῦ) β [δραχμαὶ
 Ἀρείου ψιάθων κδ [
 Ἰσιδώρου ποδῶν κλεινῶν 5 [
 τοῦ αὐτοῦ πορφυρίω(ν) στατή(ρων) δ [
 Ἀρτώσι(ο)ς πλεκτῶ(ν) ιβ (δραχμαὶ) [
 20 Μώρου κύρτων πλεκτῶ(ν) η (δραχμῇ) α (ὀβολός ?),
 Ἰσιπουτᾶτος ταριχίω(ν) διπλ(ῶν) β (δραχμαὶ) β,
 Ἑρῶδου στροβείλω(ν) ν (δραχμῇ) α (τριώβολον ?).
 αἱ κ(αὶ)
 λδ (τριώβολον). / (δραχμαὶ) λδ (ὀβολός ?),
 αἱ καὶ μετεβλήθησαν Ἀμμωνίωνι καὶ Ἑφαιστῆ καὶ Λυκαρίω(νι)
 ἐπιτηρηταῖς).
 3rd hand 25 Κλαύδιος Διονύσιος σεσημέωμαι).

3. χ of χαρητος corr. from λ (?).

‘The 27th, Chares’ emporium. Report of the emporium . . . of Chares, to Ammonion, Hephaestas and Lycarion, overseers, in the 6th year of Antoninus Caesar the lord, Epeiph . . Nicus, 2 double jars of pickled fish 2 drachmae; Didymus, 6 ropes . . .;

Ptolemaeus 1 double jar of pickled fish 1 drachma (marginal note '2 obols too little'); Ammonas son of Gaius, of Kerken . . . ; Iulus 3 mattresses . . . ; Seras 2 double jars of pickled fish 2 drachmae; Sarapion 2 artabae of meal . . . ; another Sarapion 3 loads of . . . ; ditto 2 minae of wrought iron . . drachmae; Parodus 2 minae of wrought iron . . drachmae; Arius 24 mats . . . ; Isidorus 6 couch-legs . . . ; ditto 4 staters of purple . . . ; Hartosis 12 ropes . . drachmae; Morus 8 plaited fishbaskets 1 drachma 1 obol; Isipoutas 2 double jars of pickled fish 2 drachmae; Herodes 50 wicks 1 drachma 3 obols; total 34 drachmae 1 obol (marginal note 'making 34 drachmae 3 obols'), which sum was paid over to Ammonion, Hephaestas and Lycarion, overseers. (Signed) Certified by me, Claudius Dionysius.'

2. The mutilated word at the end of the line is not λεγομένου.

6. διπλ(ων): cf. 141. 5 (of the Byzantine period), where the διπλοῖν is a measure of wine. The form διπλοκέραμος or διπλοκεράμιον is found in Wilcken, *Ost.* II. 1166. 4-5, and this may also be meant here.

9. Κερκενητ() apparently gives the name of the place at which Ammonas lived. The word after χω() does not seem to be διπλ(ων). Possibly χω should not be separated from the following letters.

13. σελίω(ν): an unknown word, but cf. Hesych. *σαλία* πλέγμα καλάθω ὅμοιον ὃ ἐπὶ τῆς κεφαλῆς φοροῦσιν αἱ Λάκαιαι.

521. LIST OF OBJECTS.

17.5 × 5.8.

Second century.

Part of a list of articles, which is of interest on account of some rare words. Statuettes or shrines of Isis, Osiris, and Harpocrates are mentioned, and the list perhaps refers to the property of some temple; cf. the mention of ἰδιῶται (?) in l. 10. This supposition is strengthened by the contents of a fragmentary account on the *verso* in which occurs a payment of 800 drachmae γεγεσίω(ν) θεοῦ Οὐεσπ(ασιανού) and another amount] γεγεσίω(ν) θεοῦ Νερούα αἰ (cf. B. G. U. 1. 9, 392. x. 9, &c.). To the left of the list on the *recto* are a few letters of the ends of lines of an account in a different hand.

λ[όγος		βάδιλλος σιδηροῦς
Ἰσιδῶ[ς] λ[	κεχρυ-	καρκίνος σιδη[ροῦς
σωμένον κα[	Ἄρπο-	15 καὶ προσεγένετο [ἐν τῷ . ἔτει . . .
κράτην κεχ[ρυσωμένον	ναΐσ-	Καίσαρος τοῦ [κυρίου
5 κιον Ὁσερίδ[ος		φιάλη χαλκῇ [
Ὁσερίδος ξυλ[ίνου	ξυ-	ὑδρῆν χαλκ[οῦ
λοναίσκιον [		θυμιατήριον [

<p>ξύλινον κεχ[ρυσωμένον ἔστι δὲ ἐν [10 ὑπὸ ἰδιω[τῶν (?) κε (ἀρτάβαι ?) χαλκοῦν [γλωσσόκομο[ν</p>	<p>20 λυχνία σὺν [κάλαμος σὺν [γαλακτο[μεναστ[γαλακτ[ο]φ[</p>
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7. λοναῖσκιον Pap.

6. ξυλοναῖσκιον is a new compound.

11. 25 artabae seems rather an incongruous item, but we can find no alternative.

13. βάδιλλος occurs in Suidas, but the meaning was unknown. L. Dindorf remarks (*ap. Stephanus s. voc.*) *nisi potius nomen est proprium factum a βάδιος . . . corruptum videri potest ex βάδιμος*. The present passage disposes of this criticism by showing conclusively that βάδιλλος means a vessel or instrument of some kind, in this case made of iron, and Mr. Smyly is no doubt right in identifying it with the Latin *batillum* or *batillus*, 'shovel'; cf. the mention of 'tongs' (καρκίνος) in l. 14.

18. ὑδρῆν is for ὑδρέιον.

22. γαλακτο[is probably a compound word meaning a receptacle for milk; it recurs in l. 24.

522. ACCOUNT OF CORN-TRANSPORT.

30.8 × 18 cm.

Second century.

An account, probably rendered by an official to his superior, of expenses connected with the dispatch of several boat-loads of corn by river, no doubt to Alexandria. The papyrus is written in a large cursive hand, resembling that of 520.

Λόγος ἀποστόλου Τριαδέλφου
 (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβαι) Γυν ἐκ (δραχμῶν) κα (δραχμαὶ) ψιβ.
 τῷ αἰ(τῷ) ὡς τ(ῶν) Ἀ (ἀρταβῶν) (δραχμῶν) δ (δραχμαὶ) ιβ.
 φορέτρο(ν) (πυροῦ) (ἀρταβῶν) ροα βασταχθ(εῖσων) ἐξώσει ψυγμ(οῦ)
 5 ὡς τ(ῶν) ρ (δραχμῶν) δ (δραχμαὶ) 5.
 τιμ(ῆς) κεραμίον πεμφθ(έντος) ὑπηρέτ(αις) καὶ στρ(ατιώτη) (δραχμαὶ) η
 (ὀβολός).
 πρεσβυ(τέρους) Ωφε(ως) ὑπ(έρ) μισθ(οῦ) ἐργ(ατῶν) ια
 ἐμβολευόντων (δραχμαὶ) 5 (ὀβολοὶ) δύο.

Ἀφύγχε(ι) θησαυροφύ(λακι) ὑπ(ἐρ) ὀψω(νίων) τῶν

10 ἀπὸ Τῦβι ἄλ(λαι) (δραχμαὶ) ιη.

/ ἀνηλ(ώματος) (δραχμαὶ) ψξβ (τριώβολον), ὦν τὸ (ἥμισυ)

ἀποστόλ(ου) Ὀρίω(νος) Ἀμμω(νίου) (ἀρτάβαι) Ἀφ

καὶ ἀποστολό(ου) Πανσί(ριος) Ἀπολ(ωνίου) (ἀρτάβαι) φ, / (ἀρτάβαι) Β,
ἐκ (δραχμῶν) κα (δραχμαὶ) υκ.

15 ναυτικ(οῦ) Ὀρίωνος κυβε(ρνήτου) αἰ δοθ(εῖσαι) [[(δραχμαὶ) η]] (δραχμαὶ) η.

τιμ(ῆς) κερ(αμίου) πεμφθ(έντος) ὑπηρέτ(αις) καὶ στρ(ατιώτῃ) (δραχμαὶ) η
(ὀβολός).

τιμ(ῆς) ἄλ(λων) κερ(αμίων) β πεμφθ(έντων) ναύτ(αις) (δραχμαὶ) ις (ὀβολοὶ δύο).

τιμ(ῆς) λαχ(άνων) τοῖς αὐ(τοῖς) χω(ρίς ?) ἄρτ(ων ?) (τετρώβολον).

πρεσβυ(τέρους) Ὡφεω(ς) ὑπ(ἐρ) μισθ(οῦ) ἐργ(ατῶν) ζ [[εμ]]

20 ἐμβολ(ευόντων) (δραχμαὶ) δ.

ἐργ(άτῃ) α ὑπηρ(ε)τοῦντ(ι) παρὰ τὸ (ἥμισυ) (ἀρτάβης) καὶ ἀνα-

βάλλοντ(ι) σεῖτ(ον) ἡμ(ερῶν) γ (ἡμίσιους) (δραχμαὶ) ε.

/ ἀνηλ(ώματος) (δραχμαὶ) υξς, ὦν τὸ (ἥμισυ)

/ ἐπὶ τὸ αὐ(τὸ) ἀνηλ(ώματος) (δραχμαὶ) ἈΣκη (τριώβολον), ὦν τὸ (ἥμισυ)

25 (δραχμαὶ) χιδ (ὀβολοὶ δύο).

Διοσκοράτ(ι) ὦν λόγ(ον) δώ(σ)ει ὀβ(ολοὶ) γ.

τιμ(ῆς) κερ(αμίων) β ἀναλωθ(έντων) ἡμεῖν μόνοις

ἀπὸ Φαμε(νὼθ) κς ἕως Φαρμ(οῦθι) ιε (δραχμαὶ) ις (ὀβολοὶ δύο).

λεπ() δαπ(άνης) σὺ(ν) τιμ(ῇ) ἐλαίου τῶν αὐ(τῶν)

30 ἡμερῶ(ν) (δραχμαὶ) η (τετρώβολον).

[ἀποστόλ(ου) [. . .] ω() [

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5. δ corr. from ε. 17. ι of ις corr. 20. δ corr. from ι. 26. ε of δω(σ)ει corr. from σ(?).

'Account:—for the vessel of Triadelphus 3400 artabae of wheat at 21 drachmae (per 100) 712 dr. To the same at 4 drachmae per 1000 12 dr. Carriage of 171 artabae of wheat transported . . . the drying-place at 4 dr. per 100 6 dr. Price of a jar (of wine) sent to the assistants and soldier 8 dr. 1 obol. To the elders of Ophis for the wages of 11 workmen employed in lading 6 dr. 2 obols. To Aphunchis, guard of the granary, as his salary since Tubi 18 dr. more. Total of expenditure 762 dr. 3 obols, of which $\frac{2}{3}$ is (381 dr. $1\frac{2}{3}$ obols). For the vessel of Horion son of Ammonius 1500 artabae and for the vessel of Pausiris son of Apollonius 500 artabae, total 2000 artabae, at 21 dr. (per 100) 420 dr. Payment to Horion, pilot, the sum given, 8 dr. Price of a jar sent

to the assistants and the soldier 8 dr. 1 obol. Price of 2 more jars sent to the sailors 16 dr. 2 obols. Price of vegetables for the same, without bread, 4 obols. To the elders of Ophis for the wages of 7 workmen employed in lading 4 dr. To 1 workman assisting beyond(?) the $\frac{1}{2}$ artaba and embarking(?) corn for $3\frac{1}{2}$ days 5 dr. Total of expenditure 466 dr., of which $\frac{1}{2}$ is (233 dr.). Sum of the whole expenditure 1228 dr. 3 obols, of which $\frac{1}{2}$ is 614 dr. 2 obols. To Dioscoras 3 obols, for which he shall render an account. Price of 2 jars expended upon us alone from Phamenoth 27 to Pharmouthi 15 16 dr. 2 obols. Expense of . . . together with the price of oil for the same period 8 dr. 4 obols.'

1. Triadelphus, like Horion son of Ammonius and Pausiris, was probably the owner of an ἀπόστολον. The payments in ll. 2 and 14, which are at the rate of slightly more than 1 obol per artaba, seem to be the charge for transport to the vessel's destination, probably Alexandria. Why in the first case there was an extra payment (l. 3) of 4 drachmae per 1000 is obscure. The calculation of the 712 and 12 dr. is not quite accurate. The correct figures would be 714 and 13 $\frac{3}{8}$.

4. ἐξώσει: if this word is not corrupt, it would seem to be a technical term connected with the fuller's trade.

6. στρ(αιώτη): for soldiers accompanying the corn-vessels as ἐπίπλοοι cf. 276. 9.

11. The figure after ὦν τὸ (ἡμῶν) has not been filled in; cf. ll. 23-5.

15. ναυτικ(οῦ): this if correct means a payment to a ναύτης. Perhaps ναυτικ(ῶ) (masculine) should be read. Horion 'the pilot' is probably different from the Horion in l. 12.

18. ἄρτ(ων?): cf. 498. 31, &c.

21. παρὰ τὸ (ἡμῶν) (ἀγράβης) is very obscure. The order is in favour of constructing it closely with ὑπερ(ε)ποιῶν(ι), and against making it mean 'in addition to the $\frac{1}{2}$ artaba received by the workman.'

(4) PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE.

523. INVITATION TO DINNER.

5.5 × 8.4 cm.

Second century.

An invitation to dinner, similar to 110. As usual, the name of the guest is not given.

Ἐρωτᾷ σε Ἀντώνι(ς) Πτολεμα(αίου) διπνῆσαι
παρ' αὐτῶι εἰς κλείνην τοῦ κυρίου
Σαραπίδος ἐν τοῖς Κλαυδ(ίου) Σαραπίω(νος)
τῇ 15 ἀπὸ ὥρας θ.

'Antonius son of Ptolemaeus invites you to dine with him at the table of the lord Sarapis in the house of Claudius Sarapion on the 16th at 9 o'clock.'

2. εἰς κλείνην κ.τ.λ.: cf. 110. 2.

524. INVITATION TO A WEDDING FEAST.

3.5 × 6.4 cm.

Second century.

An invitation to dinner in celebration of a marriage; cf. 111 and P. Fay. Towns 132.

Ἐρωτᾷ σε Διονύσιος δειπνή-
σαι εἰς τοὺς γάμους τῶν τρέκνων
ἐαυτοῦ ἐν τῇ Ἰσχυρίῳ(νος) αὔριον,
ἥτις ἐστὶν λ, ἀπὸ ὥρας [θ.

‘Dionysius invites you to dine with him on the occasion of the marriage of his children at the house of Ischyron to-morrow, the 30th, at 9 (?) o’clock.’

4. ὥρας [θ: the usual hour (about 3 p.m.); cf. 523. 4, &c.

525. LETTER.

14.6 × 10.7 cm.

Early second century.

The following letter, though complete, lacks both the customary greeting at the commencement and address, and the names of the recipient and sender therefore do not appear. The latter complains of the trouble he was having in going by river past the Antaeopolite nome, and instructs his correspondent to make a certain payment.

Ὁ παράπλους τοῦ Ἀνταιοπολίτου
ὀχληρότατός ἐστιν καὶ καθ’ ἐκάσ-
την ἡμέραν βαροῦμαι δι’ αὐτὸν
καὶ λείαν τῷ πράγματι καταξυ-
5 μαι. ἐὰν δέη τῷ ἀδελφῷ τῆς μη-
τρὸς] τῶν νύων Ἀχιλλᾶ δοθῆναι
σπο[ν]δάριον καλῶς ποιήσεις δοῦς
λω[το]ῦ παρὰ Σαραπῖωνος ἐκ τοῦ
ἐ[μοῦ] λόγου. μέμνη[σ]ο τοῦ νύκ-
10 τ[ελίου] Ἰσιδος τοῦ ἐν τῷ Σαρα-
π[ιεῖω].

'The voyage past the Antaeopolite nome is most troublesome; every day I am burdened on account of it and I am extremely worn out with the matter. If a gratuity must be given to the brother of the mother of Achillas' sons, please get some lotus(?) for him from Sarapion at my expense. Remember the night-festival of Isis at the Serapeum.'

7. σπο[ν]δάριον: cf. 610 and 101. 19, where in a lease 12 drachmae σπονδῆς are an item in the rent. An additional payment of some kind is there meant, but the precise significance of the word is not clear. In 653 σπονδή is coupled with ἀπόμοιρα and ἐπαρούριον, which suggests that the charge 'for a libation' was primarily imposed upon vine-land (cf. Rev. Laws xxxvi. 19, where the ἑκτη, i.e. ἀπόμοιρα, is devoted εἰς τὴν θυσίαν καὶ τὴν σπ[ο]νδῇ), though, as 101 shows, its application became extended.

10. There would perhaps be room for τῆς in the lacuna before Ἰσιδος.

526. LETTER OF CYRILLUS.

16.2 x 11.9 cm.

Second century.

This letter is badly written and obscurely worded, and the writer was evidently a person of little culture. It contains a brief apology for a departure occasioned by the desire to recover a loan.

Χαίροις Καλόκαιρε,
Κύριλλός σε προσαγο-
ρεύω. οὐκ ἤμην ἀπα-
θῆς ἀλόγως σε κατα-
5 λείπειν, οὐ γάρ τις λαν-
βάνων τοῦ Τῦβι τὸν
τόκον δεκαπλῶ[ν] κε-
φάλαιον κομείζ[ει]. ἀλλὰ

ἀναβένω σὺν [τῷ] ὀρ-
10 χηστῇ· εἰ καὶ μὴ ἀνέ-
βενε ἐγὼ τὸν λόγον
μου οὐ παρέβενον.
εὐτύχει.

On the *verso*

[ἀ]πό[δος] Καλοκαίρῳ.

9. 1. ἀναβαίνω.

10. 1. ἀνέ[βα]ινε.

12. 1. παρέβαινον.

'Greeting, Calocaerus: I, Cyrillus, address you. I was not so unfeeling as to leave you without reason; for though a man gets his interest in Tūbi tenfold, he still does not recover his capital. I am going up with the dancer; even if he were not going I should not have broken my word. Farewell. (Addressed) Deliver to Calocaerus.'

5-8. The meaning is that no amount of interest will satisfy a man who desires the repayment of the capital sum.

9. ὀρ[χηστῇ]: cf. 519.(a) 6.

527. LETTER OF HATRES.

8.2 x 13.9 cm. Second or early third century.

A short letter from Hatres to his brother Heras, telling him to send and fetch a certain fuller if he required the latter's services.

Ἀτρῆς Ἡράτι τῷ ἀδελφῷ χαίρειν.
 καθὼς ἐνετείλω μοι περὶ Σερήνου
 τοῦ γναφέως ὁ συνεργαζόμενος μετὰ
 Φιλέου, εἰ μὲν χρεῖαν αὐτοῦ ἔχεις πέμ-
 5 ψον ὑπηρέτην ἐπ' αὐτὸν σήμερον, ἥτις
 ἐστὶν ιθ. {ἐπεὶ γὰρ ἐγὼ αὐτὸν κατέχω} ἀλ(λ)' ὁ-
 ρα μὴ ἀμελήσης, ἐπεὶ γὰρ ἐγὼ αὐτὸν κα-
 τέχω.
 ἐρρῶσθ(αι) εὐχομ(αι) εὖ πράττοντ(α).

On the *verso*

10 ἀπόδος) [Ἡ]ράτι.

3. 1. τοῦ συνεργαζομένου.
 of the line a round bracket.

5. ην of ὑπηρέτην corr. from ον.

6. After ο at the end

'Hatres to Heras his brother, greeting. In accordance with your instructions concerning Serenus the fuller who is working with Phileas, if you have need of him send a servant for him to-day, the 19th. Do not neglect this, as I am keeping him. I pray for your health and prosperity. (Addressed) Deliver to Heras.'

6. The round bracket at the end of this line (cf. critical note) appears to indicate a wish on the part of the writer to cancel the first ἐπεὶ γὰρ . . . κατέχω, which is superfluous; but he should have been more explicit.

528. LETTER OF SERENUS.

18 x 12.8 cm.

Second century.

This curious and amusing letter, written in very bad Greek, is from Serenus to his sister (and probably wife) Isidora, who had gone away, but whom the writer wished to return.

Σερήνος Εἰσιδώρα [τῇ ἀδελ-
 φῇ καὶ κυρίᾳ πλαῖστ]α χαίρειν.
 πρὸ μὲν ποντὸς εὐχομ[αί σε ὑγιαί-
 νει(ν) καὶ καθ' ἐκάστης [ἡμέρας] καὶ
 5 ὁψ(ι)ας τὸ προσκύνημά σου πυῶ
 παρὰ τῇ σε φιλοῦσῃ Θοήρι. γινώσκειν
 σε θέλω ἀφ' ὧς ἐ[κ] ξῆλθες ἀπ' ἐμοῦ
 πένθος ἡγούμην νυκτὸς κλέων
 ἡμέρας δὲ πενθῶ(ν). ἰβ Φαῶφι ἀφ' ὅτε
 10 ἐλουσάμην μετ' ἐσοῦ οὐκ ἐλουσάμην
 οὐκ ἤλιμ(μ)ε μέχρει ἰβ Ἀθύρ, καὶ ἔπεμ-
 σάς μιν ἐπιστολὰς δυναμένου λίθον
 σαλεῦσε, οὕτως ὃ λόγῳ σου καικίνη-
 κάν με. αὐτῇ{ν} τῇ ὅρα ἀντέγρα-
 15 ψά συ καὶ ἔδωκα τῇ ἰβ μετὰ τῶν
 σῶν ἐπιστολῶν ἐσ[σ] φραγιζμένα.
 χωρεῖς δὲ τῶν σῶν λόγων κὲ γρα-
 μ(μ)άτων ὁ Κόλοβος δὲ πόρνην με πεπύ-
 ηκεν, ἔλεγε δὲ ὅτι ἔπεμσέ μιν φάσειν
 20 ἡ γυνή σου ὅτι αὐτὸς πέπρακεν τὸ ἀλ-
 σίδιον καὶ αὐτὸς κατέστακέ με ἐ[ί]ς τὸ
 πλῦν· τούτους τοὺς λόγους λέγεις ἥνα
 μηκέτι [[φ]]πιστευθῶ μου τὴν ἐνβολ[ή]ν.
 ἐδοῦ ποσά{ρ}κεις ἔπεμσα ἐπὶ σέ. ἔρχῃ [εἴτε
 25 οὐκ ἔρχῃ δήλοσόν μου.]

On the verso

ἀπόδος Εἰσιδώρα π(αρά) Σερήνου.

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|---|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 2. 1. πλείστ[α]. | 5. 1. ποιῶ. | 6. 1. γινώσκειν. | 8. 1. κλαίων. | 11. |
| 1. ἡλειμ(μ)αι . . . ἔπεμψας; cf. ll. 19 and 24. | | 12. 1. μοι . . . δυναμένης. | | 13. |
| 1. σαλεῦσαι . . . οἱ λόγοι σου κεκίνηκαν. | 14. 1. ὅρα. | 15. 1. σοι. | 17. 1. καί. | 18. |
| 1. πεποίηκεν. | 19. 1. μοι. | 22. 1. πλοῖον . . . ἵνα. | 24. ε of εδου corr. from ο. | 1. ἰδοῦ |
| ποσάκεις. | 25. 1. δήλοσόν μοι. | 26. 1. Ἰσιδώρα. | | |

‘Serenus to his beloved sister Isidora, many greetings. Before all else I pray for your health, and every day and evening I perform the act of veneration on your behalf to Thöeris who loves you. I assure you that ever since you left me I have been in mourning,

weeping by night and lamenting by day. Since we bathed together on Phaophi 12, I never bathed nor anointed myself until Athur 12. You sent me letters which would have shaken a stone, so much did your words move me. Instantly I answered you and gave the letter sealed (to the messenger) on the 12th, together with letters for you (?). Apart from your saying and writing "Colobus has made me a prostitute," he (Colobus) said to me, "Your wife sent me a message saying 'He himself (Serenus) has sold the chain and himself put me in the boat.'" You say this to prevent my being believed any longer with regard to my embarkation (?). See how many times I have sent to you! Whether you are coming or not, let me know. (Addressed) Deliver to Isidora from Serenus.'

23. The ἐμβολή seems to refer to ll. 21-2, but the point of the allusion is obscure in both cases.

529. LETTER TO ATHENAROUS.

12.2 X 8.2 cm.

Second century.

A letter to a woman called Athenarous, announcing the dispatch of oil and fruit. The writer, whose name is lost, seems to have occupied some official position, for he mentions that he was about to accompany the praefect to Coptos.

πρὸ μὲν [πάντων εὐχομαί σε
 ὑγιαίνειν. κόμ[ισ]αι διὰ Κ[έ]ρ-
 δωνος ὥστε Διονυσίῳ
 χρίματος κοτύλας δ καὶ
 5 σφυρίδιν τραγημάτων
 ἔχων ἀρίθμια σῦκα ρ
 κάρνα ρ καὶ ἐλαίου χοῶς
 ἥμισυ δ δώσεις τῷ αὐ-
 τῷ Διονυσίῳ κοτύλας

On the *verso*

] εἰς τὰ Πανσανίου γενομέ-
 νου γραμμα]τέως πόλεως Ἀθηναροῦτι Κέρ-
 20 δα(νος).

6. 1. ἔχον.

'First of all I pray for your health. Please receive through Cerdon for Dionysius 4 cotylae of unguent and a basket of dessert containing 100 figs, 100 nuts, and half

a chous of oil, of which you will give 4 cotylae to the said Dionysius and keep 2 cotylae for yourself. Greet your mother and Matris and her children and all who love you. I am going to Coptos with the praefect. (Addressed) To the house of Pausanias, ex-clerk of the city, for Athenarous daughter of Cerdon.'

530. LETTER OF DIONYSIUS.

19.8 x 12.2 cm.

Second century.

A letter from Dionysius to his mother Tetheus, chiefly concerned with money matters. The writer states that he has paid certain taxes, while some others for which his mother was being troubled had been omitted by an oversight; and he announces the dispatch of 112 drachmae, 108 of which were to be devoted to the redemption of his wardrobe from the pawnbroker. The letter is written in a well-formed uncial hand with occasional lapses into cursive. An example of Ξ formed with three distinct strokes occurs in l. 13.

Διονύσι[ος] Τεθ[εῦτι] τῇ [μητρ]ῇ χ[αί]ρειν.
 περὶ ὧν μοι γράφεις ἐπιστολῇν πασῶν
 ἐκομισάμην π[ε]ρὶ δὲ τῶν π[υ]ρ[ω]ν {τ[ῶν π]υ-
 ρῶν} ὧν σε ἀπήτηκαν οἱ πράκ[το]ρ[ε]ς ὁμολ[ογοί(?)]
 5 εἰσι ἐμὲ δὲ ἐλελήθει διαστέλλ[ει]ν τι, τ[ὸ] δὲ
 ναύβιον καὶ τὰ ἄλλα πάντα πλήρη διέγρα-
 ψα. τὸ δὲ πραγμάτιον περὶ οὗ ἔγραψα Θέωνι
 μὴ μελέτω σοι εἰ μὴ τετέλεσται ἐπὶ μάτ[η]ν
 δὲ τῷ τοῦ Πασσιρίωνος τοσοῦτον χρόνον προσ-
 10 καρτερ[ῶ] . . . νδε ἀπ[α] . μ[ι] . ε[ψ] . . . εθ[η]. κόμισ[αι]
 παρὰ Χ[αιρ]ήμονος τ[ο]ῦ κομίζοντός σοι τὸ [ἐπι-
 στόλιον ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς ἑκατὸν δέκ[α]
 δύο, ἐξ ὧν δώσεις Σαραπίωνι τῷ φίλῳ
 τῷ τοῦ Ἀπεὶ λυτρώσασά μου τὰ ἱμάτια
 15 δραχμὰς ἑκατὸν καὶ εἰς λ[ό]γον τόκου
 δραχμὰς ὀκτὼ καὶ σοὶ εἰς δαπάνην τῆς
 ἰορτῆς δραχμὰς τέσσαρας, εἰ πλεῖον δέ μοι
 παρέκει[το] πάλιν σοι ἀπεστάλκειν, καὶ
 τοῦτο πέ[μ]πων κέχρημαι. ἀποδοῦσα οὖν

- 20 αὐτῷ ἀπολήμψῃ τὰ ἱμάτια ὑγ(ι)ῇ καὶ
 ἐν ἀσφαλεῖ ποιήσῃς. μὴ ἀγωνία δὲ περὶ
 ἡμῶν, οὐθὲν γὰρ φαῦλον περὶ ἡμᾶς ἔστ[ι]ν
 καὶ συμφωνοῦμεν ἀλλήλοις. ἀσπάζεται σε
 Θεωνᾶς. ἀσπάζου τὰ παῖδιά 'Απίωνα κ[αὶ]
 25 ἀδελφὸν 'Ερματίον, Διονυτᾶν, τοὺς περ[ὶ] Ν[ί]-
 κην καὶ Θαισοῦν τὴν μικράν, τ[ο]ὺς περὶ [.]
 τα πάντας, 'Ηρᾶν καὶ τοὺς αὐτοῦ, Λεοντᾶν τὸν
 ὑπερήφανον καὶ τοὺς αὐτοῦ, τοὺς περὶ Τααμίον,
 [Θερ]μουθάρ[ον]. ἔρρα(σο). μη(νὸς) Καيسαρείου κ.

In the left hand margin, at right angles

- 30 περὶ τούτων οὖν μοι εὐθέως μετὰ τὴν ἑορτὴν πέμψεις φάσιν εἰ τὸν χαλ-
 κὸν ἐκομίσω καὶ εἰ ἀπέλαβες τὰ ἱμάτια. ἄσπασαι Διονυτᾶν καὶ Θεώνα.
 On the *verso*

Τεθευτί μητρί.

2. 1. ἐπιστολῶν. 8. ε of ει corr. 14. ἱματια Pap.; so ll. 20 and 31. 17.
 1. ἑορτῆς.

Dionysius to Tetheus his mother, greeting. I have received all the letters concerning which you write, and with regard to the wheat which the collectors have demanded from you it is admitted (?), but I had forgotten to make any order for payment; I have however paid in full the naubion and other taxes. Do not be concerned that the matter about which I wrote to Theon has not been carried out and that I have so long been engaged with Pausirion's business to no purpose . . . Please receive from Chaeremon the bearer of this letter 112 drachmae of silver of which you will give to my friend Sarapion son of Apei 100 drachmae and redeem my clothes, with 8 drachmae on account of interest, and keep 4 drachmae for yourself for the expenses of the festival. If I had had more I would have forwarded a further sum; I have borrowed to send even this. So pay him the money and get my clothes back safe, and put them in a secure place. Do not be anxious about us, for there is nothing the matter with us and we are at harmony with each other. Theonas salutes you. Salute the boys Apion and his brother Hermatois, Dionutas, those with Nice and the little Thaisous, all those with . . . , Heras and his household, Leontas the proud and his household, those with Taamois, and Thermoutharion. Good-bye. The 20th of the month Caesareus. (P.S.) Send me word about this immediately after the festival, whether you received the money and whether you recovered my clothes. Salute Dionutas and Theon. (Addressed) To my mother Tetheus.'

4. ὁμολ[ογοί]: it is difficult to see what other supplement can be found for the lacuna, in which there is not room for more than four letters; οἱ *πυροί* is probably the subject rather than οἱ *πράκτορες*. For ὁμολογος in connexion with the poll-tax cf. note on 478. 22.

10. Perhaps οἰδὲ ἅπαξ μ[ο]ι.

14. Cf. 114, another letter illustrating the pawnbroking trade at Oxyrhynchus.

531. LETTER OF CORNELIUS.

21.5 x 11.7 cm.

Second century.

A letter from a father to his son, giving him good advice, and announcing the dispatch of clothes and money.

- Κορνήλιος Ἰέρακι τῷ γλυκυτάτῳ υἱῷ
χαίρειν.
ἡδέως σε ἀσπαζόμεθα πάντες οἱ ἐν οἴκῳ καὶ
τοὺς μετ' ἐσοῦ πάντας. περὶ οὗ μοι παλλάκεις
5 γράφεις ἀνθρώπου μηδὲν προσποιηθῆς
ἕως ἐπ' ἀγαθῷ πρὸς σὲ παραγένομαι σὺν Οὐ-
ηστείνῳ μετὰ καὶ τῶν ὄνων. ἐὰν γὰρ θεοὶ θέλω-
σι τάχιον πρὸς σὲ ἦξω μετὰ τὸν Μεχεῖρ μῆνα
ἐπεὶ ἐν χερσὶν ἔχω ἐπείξιμα ἔργα. ὅρα μηδε-
10 νὶ ἀνθρώπων ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ προσκρο[ύ]σης, ἀλλὰ τοῖς
βιβλίοις σου αὐτὸ μόνον πρόσεχ[ε] φιλογων
καὶ ἀπ' αὐτῶν ὄνησιν ἔξεις. κόμ[ι]σαι διὰ Ὀν-
νωφρᾶ τὰ ἱμάτια τὰ λευκὰ τὰ δυν[α]μένα
μετὰ τῶν πορφυρῶν φορεῖσθαι φαινολίῳν,
15 τὰ ἄλλα μετὰ τῶν μουρσίνων φορέσεις.
διὰ Ἀνουβᾶ πέμψω σοι καὶ ἀργύριον καὶ
ἐπιμήνια καὶ τὸ ἄλλο ζεύγος τῶν ὑσγείνων.
τοῖς ὀψαρίοις ἐξήλλαξας ἡμᾶς, τούτων καὶ τὴν
τιμὴν δι' Ἀνουβᾶ πέμψω σοι, μέντοιγε
20 ἕως πρὸς σὲ ἔλθῃ Ἀνουβᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ σοῦ χαλκοῦ τὸ
ὀψώνιον σου καὶ τῶν σῶν ἐξοδίασον
ἕως πέμψω. ἔστι δὲ τοῦ Τῦβι, μηνὸς
σοὶ δ' θέλεις, Φρονίμῳ (δραχμαὶ) ις, τοῖς περὶ Ἀβάσκ(αντον)
καὶ Μύρωνι (δραχμαὶ) θ, Σκεούνδῳ (δραχμαὶ) ιβ. πέμ-
25 ψον Φρόνιμον πρὸς Ἀσκληπιάδην ἐμῷ
ὀνόματι καὶ λαβέτω παρ' αὐτοῦ ἀντιφώνη-
σιν ἧς ἔγραψα αὐτῷ ἐπιστολῆς καὶ πέμψον.

περὶ ὧν θέλεις δῆλωσόν μοι. ἔρρωσο, τέκνον.

Τῦβι 15.

On the *verso*

30 Ἰέρακι [ὑ]ϊῶι ἀπὸ Κορνηλίου(ν) πατρός.

4. Second α of *παντας* corr. from ε. 1. πολλάκις. 6. 1. παραγένωμαι. 12. π
of *απ* corr. from ν. 18. των of *τουτων* above the line. 20. *ανουβας* above the
line. 30. *ιερaki* Pap.

'Cornelius to his sweetest son, Hierax, greeting. All our household warmly salutes you and all those with you. Regarding the man about whom you write to me so often, claim nothing until I come to you auspiciously in company with Vestinus and the donkeys. For if the gods will I shall arrive quickly after Mecheir is over, since at present I have urgent affairs on hand. Take care not to offend any of the persons at home, and give your undivided attention to your books, devoting yourself to learning, and then they will bring you profit. Receive by Onnophris the white robes which are to be worn with the purple cloaks, the others you should wear with the myrtle-coloured (?) ones. I shall send you by Anoubas both the money and the monthly supplies and the other pair of scarlet cloaks. You won me over by the dainties, and I will send you the price of these too by Anoubas; until however Anoubas arrives, you must pay for the provisions of yourself and your household out of your own money, until I send you some. For the month of Tubi there is for yourself what you like, for Phronimus 16 drachmae, for Abascantus and his companions and Myron 9 drachmae, for Secundus 12 drachmae. Send Phronimus to Asclepiades in my name, and let him obtain from him an answer to the letter which I wrote to him, and send it. Let me know what you want. Good-bye, my son. Tubi 16. (Addressed) To my son Hierax from his father Cornelius.'

15. *μυρσίνων*: *μυρσίνων* seems to be intended, but *μόρινον* ('mulberry-coloured') occurs as an epithet of a *σουβρικοπάλλιον* in C. P. R. I. 27. 8, and may be the word meant here.

18. The punctuation and meaning of this line are a little difficult. Of the known meanings of *ἐξαλλάσσειν* that of 'amuse' seems to be the most suitable and we refer *τούτων* to the *ὀψάρια*, making it depend on *τιμὴν*. If *τούτων* is connected with *ἐξήλλαξας* it must refer to the cloaks, and the sentence means that these were in exchange for the *ὀψάρια*.

19. For *μέντοιγε* as the first word of a sentence cf. P. Amh. 135. 11, where a comma should be placed after *ἀναπλεῖν*.

532. LETTER OF HERACLIDES.

21.5 X 10 cm.

Second century.

A letter from Heraclides to Hatres, reproaching him for not sending 20 drachmae. The letter is on the *verso* of the papyrus, the *recto* containing parts of nineteen lines from a taxing-account.

- Ἡρακλείδης Ἀτρήτι
 τῷ φιλι(άτῳ) χαίρειν.
 ἔδει μὲν σε χωρ[is τ]οῦ με
 γεγραφέναι σοι διὰ Σαήτου
 5 ἀναπέμψαι τὰς (δραχμὰς) κ, εἰδὼς
 ὅτι αὐτόθι μετεβαλόμεν
 τοῖς κοινωνοῖς μου αὐ-
 τὰς, ἀλλὰ ἀνέμεινας τὸν
 τοσοῦτον χρόνον μὴ ἀπο-
 10 δοῦς, ἀναγκαίως οὖν τῷ
 ἀναδιδοῦντι σοι τὸ ἐπιστό-
 λιον τοῦτο εὐθέως
 ἀπόδος ὅπως κάμῃ
 ἄσкулτον ποιήσης.
 15 ὅρα οὖν μὴ ἄλλως πράξης
 [μὴ] καὶ ποιήσης με πρὸς
 σὲ ἐλθεῖν συζητήσον-
 τά σοι. καὶ γὰρ ἐν Παώ-
 μει τότε σε εὔρον καὶ
 20 βουλόμενόν σε φιλαν-
 θρωπῶ[σ]σαι οὐκ ἀ-
 νέμεινας ὑπὸ κακοῦ
 συνειδότος κατεχό-
 μενος.

3. εἰ of εδει corr. from ι. σε above καί, which is crossed through. 15. ν of ουν above the line. 20. ι. φιλανθρωπήσαι. 22. ν of κακου corr. from σ.

‘Heraclides to his dearest Hatres, greeting. You ought without my writing to you to have sent me by Saētas the 20 drachmae, for you know that I paid them here to my partners; but you have waited all this time without paying me. Be sure therefore to give this sum at once to the bearer of this letter, that you may save me too from trouble. Mind that you do not fail and thereby cause me to come to you and dispute with you about it; for indeed I found you at Paomis the other day and wanted to welcome you; but you would not stay, being oppressed by an evil conscience.’

533. LETTER OF APION.

26 x 27.5 cm. Late second or early third century.

A letter from a father to his son and another person, giving them directions on various matters of business.

Ἀπίων Ἀπίωνι τῷ νιῷ καὶ Ὀρίωνι τῷ φιλάτῳ πλεῖστα χαίρειν.
 πρὸ τῶν ὄλων εὐχομαι ὑμᾶς ὑγιαίνειν μετὰ τῶν τέκνων καὶ συμβίων. ὅσα
 διὰ τῆς ἐτέρας ἐπιστολῆς ἔγραψα ἵνα μὴ τὰ αὐτὰ γράψω καὶ Ὀρίωνι
 γράφω. διεπεμψάμην ὑ-
 με[ῖ]ν δι[ε]ὰ Εὐτυχοῦς τοῦ ἀπὸ Ἰσίου Τρύφωνος διαστολικά γ, β μὲν πρὸς
 γεωργοὺς Μαξί-

- 5 μου, τὸ [δὲ] ἄλλο πρὸ[ς] Διογ[έ]νην τὸν τοῦ Βε[λ]εη . (), εὐθέως δημοσιώ-
σατε αὐτὰ πρὸ τοῦ
Φαῶφι ἵνα μὴ ἐκπρόθεσμα γένηται. ἕτερα δὲ ἀνεπέμφθη Πανεχώτη
νομικῶ παρ' οὗ
κομ[ί]ζεσθε καὶ δότε αὐτῶ (δραχμὰς) ξδ. τὸ χορτοσπέρμον πωλήσατε καὶ
πύθεσθε
τοῦ 'Ο[.]φ[.]λη εἰ χρ[ε]ιαν ἔχει τοῦ ἀπὸ Ταμπιτεί. αἱ πρόσοδοί μου αἱ διὰ
τῶν γεωργῶν
διαστ[αλ]εῖσα[ι] ἢ παρὰ τῷ ταμείῳ ἔ[ν] π[α]ραθέσει λογισθήτωσαν ἢ ἐν
ἀσφαλεῖ [ἢ]τω
- 10 παρὰ [τοῖ]ς γεωργοῖς ἵνα θεῶν θ[ε]λ[ό]ντων ἐὰν ἀνεθῶσι μὴ ἔχωμεν περιπλο-
κὴν π[ρ]ὸς τὸν ἀντίδικον, ἢ ὁ κίνδυνος αὐτῶν ἦτω πρὸς τοὺς γεωρούς.
τὴν οἰ-
κίαν Τ[.] . . βίου μὴ μισθώσης μηδενὶ εἰ μὴ τι(νι) γυναικὶ μελλούσῃ ἐν
αὐτῇ οἰ-
κεῖν . [.] . . ατ[.] . ρ[.]τε . [.] . γὰρ [.] . ὄν ἐστὶν τοιαύ[τ]ην οἰκίαν παρα-
[β]άλλε[ι]ν νεανίσ-
κοις ἵνα μὴ ἔχωμεν στομάχου[ς] μηδὲ φθόνον. εἵπατε Ζωίλῳ τῷ ἀπὸ
Σεντῶ
- 15 γεωργῷ ὅτ[ι] κατὰ τὰς συνθήκας φρόντισον τοῦ χαλκοῦ. εἵπατε καὶ τοῖς
διδύμοις ὅτι προ-
νόησ[α]τε τοῦ κερματίου, ὁμοίως καὶ Ἀπολλωνίῳ καὶ Διονοσίῳ ἐὰν ἰσχύσητε
πέμψαι
εἰς Πα[βέ]ρκε ἀπηλιώτου πρὸς Πασίριν τὸν ὀνηλάτην ὅτι καθὼς συνε-
τάξασθέ
μοι δοῦναι κεράμια οἶνου καὶ ἵνα τηρήσωσι αὐτῶν τὴν δεξιάν. παράλαβε πα-
ρὰ Ἀρθώνιος ἱερέως τὰς τοῦ (πυροῦ) (ἀρτάβας) κ καὶ παρὰ Ζωίλου τοῦ
γεωργοῦ τῆς Σεγτῶ ἃς κέχρη-
- 20 ται παρ' ἐμοῦ πυροῦ (ἀρτάβας) ε. ἐπισκέψασθε ἐκ τοῦ λογιστηρίου τοῦ
στρα(τη)γοῦ ἐπιστολ(ήν) τοῦ διοικητοῦ
ἐπὶ τοῦ Θῶθ μηνὸς γραφείσαν περὶ τοῦ ὀνόματα πεμφθῆναι ἀντ' ἐμοῦ εἰς
κλήρον τῆς πρακτο-
ρείας. εἵπατε Σερήνῳ τῷ ἐν τῷ καμηλῶνι ὅτι προνόησον τοῦ χαλκοῦ.
εἵπατε Ἑρμία

τῷ τῷ Ἰσίῳ Παγγᾶ γραμματεῖ πρακτόρων ἀργυ(ρικῶν) ὅτι διάστειλον
 ὃν ὀφείλεις μοι πυρρὸν ἢ
 ὃν ξ[ἂν] δ[ιοκίμ]α[ς]. Ἡρακλείδης Ἑρμαῖσκ[ο]ν ἀποδότω τὰς τοῦ (πυρροῦ) (ἀρ-
 τάβας) 5 ἐν θέματι. ε[ἴ]πατε Διο-
 25 νυσίῳ Ἐπιμάχου ἀρχιερατεύσαντι ὅτι ἐνέτυχον τῷ διοικητῇ ἕνεκα τῆς
 προσόδου
 ἵνα πα[ρ]α[δεχθῇ] εἰς τὸ ὄφλημα Σαραπίωνος Φανίου. ἀσπάσασθε Στατίαν
 τὴν θυγατέρα μου
 καὶ Ἡρ[α]κλείδην καὶ Ἀπίωνα τοὺς υἱοὺς μου. ἀσπάσασθε τὸν μεικρὸν
 Σερήνον καὶ Κοπρία
 καὶ το[ῦ]ς ἡμῶν πάντας κατ' ὄνομα. ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς Ἀμάραντος καὶ
 Ζμάραγδος.

ἐρρῶσθαι ὑμᾶς εὐχομαι.

On the *verso*

30 ἀπόδος Ἀπίωνι νίῳ καὶ Ὀρίωνι.

3. α της above the line. ὑμ[ε]ῖν Pap. 6. νομικῶ above the line. 21. αὐτ ἐμου
 above the line. 22. ον of προνοήσον corr. from αι. 28. ων π corr.

'Apion to his son Apion and his dearest Horion, many greetings. Before all else I pray for your health and for that of your children and wives. All that I wrote in the other letter, in order that I may not repeat it, consider that I wrote also to Horion. I have sent you by Eutyches of Ision Tryphonis 3 orders for payment, two for the cultivators of Maximus, the third for Diogenes son of . . . Issue them at once before Phaophi that they may not be later than the due time. Others were sent to Panechotes the lawyer; get these from him and pay him 64 drachmae. Sell the grass-seed and ask . . . whether he wants the man from Tampitei. Let my revenues which are paid through the cultivators either be placed on deposit at the store-house or be kept in safety in the possession of the cultivators, in order that if the gods will, we may, if they are neglected, have no complications with our adversary, or the cultivators must bear the risk. Do not lease the house of . . . to any one except to a woman who intends to live in it, for it is (wrong) to expose such a house to youths, that we may not be caused vexation and annoyance. Tell Zoilus the cultivator from Sento that in accordance with the agreements he must look after the money. Tell the twins also to be careful about the small change, and likewise tell Apollonius and Dionysius if you can send to Paberke in the eastern toparchy to Pausiris the donkey-driver, that, as they arranged, they are to pay me the jars of wine and must keep their pledge. Get from Harthonis the priest the 20 artabae of wheat, and from Zoilus the cultivator from Sento the 5 artabae of wheat which he borrowed from me. Look out at the office of the strategus a letter of the dioecetes written in the month of Thoth about the substitution of other names for mine in drawing lots for the post of collector. Tell Serenus at the camel-shed that he is to take care of the money. Tell Hermias, scribe of the collectors of money-taxes at Ision Panga, that he is to issue an order for the wheat which he owes me or for the amount which he approves. Let Heraclides

son of Hermaiscus pay the 6 artabae of wheat on deposit. Tell Dionysius son of Epimachus, ex-chief-priest, that I petitioned the dioecetes about the revenue in order that a reduction might be made in the fine of Sarapion son of Phantias. Salute Statia my daughter and Heraclides and Apion, my sons. Salute little Serenus and Copreus and all our household individually. Amarantus and Zmaragdus salute you. I pray for your health. (Addressed) Deliver to my son Apion and Horion.'

3. καὶ Ὡρίωνι γράφω seems to be a compressed way of saying λέγω καὶ Ὡρίωνι γεγραφέναι.

4. For an example of a διαστολικόν see 516.

5. Βελεη . () : above η is what looks more like a rough breathing than any letter.

14. στομάχου[ς] : this use of the word in the metaphorical sense of the Latin *stomachus* seems to be new.

17. Πα[βέ]ρχη ἀπηλιώτου : sc. τοπαρχίας ; cf. 101. 4-5, and for the omission of τοπαρχία 510. 3.

VI. COLLATIONS OF HOMERIC FRAGMENTS

(The collations of *Il.* i–xii, and the *Odyssey* are with the text of Ludwich, those of *Il.* xiii–xxiv with that of La Roche.)

(a) *Iliad.*

- 534.** 12.9 × 18.8 cm. Bottom of a column containing parts of i. 1–15, with stops and occasional accents. 15 ελίσσετο. Third century, written in good-sized sloping uncials. The first column, as often, was a short one.
- 535.** 11.5 × 5.2 cm. Fragment, containing about 10 letters in a line, of i. 43–59, with stops, accents and breathings. 57 ε of ηγερ]θεν above ο erased. Third century, written in good-sized irregular uncials.
- 536.** 16.5 × 3.3 cm. A few letters from near the ends of i. 127–147 from the bottom of a column, with accents, &c., written on the *verso* of a second or third century account. Third century, in medium-sized sloping uncials.
- 537.** 9 × 8.9 cm. Ends of i. 215–220 and beginnings of i. 250–266 (omitting 265), with elision-marks and paragraphi. Second or third century, written in irregular uncials.
- 538.** 10.7 × 10 cm. Upper part of a leaf from a book containing on the *verso* the beginnings of i. 273–297 and on the *recto* the ends of 318–342, with numerous stops, accents, breathings, elision-marks and a paragraphus. 273 μεν inserted over the line by a second hand. 274 π[ε]ιθεσθε. 277 Πηλεΐδῃ. 294 ὑπεξομαι (apparently). 322 Ἀχιλλῆος (so probably in l. 319 Ἀχιλλ[η]). 327 θειν. 328 ην of κέσθην above αι erased. 329 Final ι of μελαίνῃ added by a second hand. Third century, written in small upright uncials.
- 539.** 5.2 × 3.7 cm. Parts of i. 575–583, having from 2 to 10 letters from the middles of lines. Second century, written in good-sized round uncials. On the *verso* parts of 8 lines of a scientific literary work of some kind. 7]α μεταβολα δ[. Late second or third century.
- 540.** 11.9 × 16 cm. On the *recto* parts of a second or third century account and of an obliterated document. On the *verso* from the top of a column ii. 672–683, 672–9 being practically complete, with numerous accents, &c. 672 and 673 Νειρεvs. 672 τ' added above the line by a second hand. 673

- ηλ[θ]εν. 676 Νεισσυρον. 677 *s* of νή[[ο]]τους added above the line. 680 τῶν δε. 682 Τρηχ[[ε]]ῖν' ενενεμοντο. Third century, written in large uncials of the oval type.
541. 8.1 x 6.7 cm. Beginnings of ii. 859-873, with accents, &c. 858 Μέλι[λ]ητρον. Third century, written in medium-sized sloping uncials.
542. 23.8 x 8 cm. Part of a leaf from a book containing on the *recto* the beginnings of iii. 371-393 (389 being lost) and on the *verso* the ends of 394-418 (413-4 being lost), with accents, &c. 378 ρειψ'. 404 α of αγεσθαι above ε. 406 κελευθους. Third century, written in medium-sized rather irregular uncials.
543. 9 x 2.5 cm. Fragment containing a few letters from the ends of iii. 361-377, on the *verso* of a second century document. 364 ν of εν'ρην above ο erased. 374 η of Αφροδιτη above ωι erased. Late second or third century, written in a semi-uncial hand.
544. 9.4 x 3.1 cm. A few letters from the ends of iv. 182-198, with occasional accents. 186 υ'πενερθεν by a second hand. 195 Αχαιων. 196-7 omitted. Third century, written in medium-sized sloping uncials.
545. 9 x 4.2 cm. A few letters from the beginnings of iv. 478-490, with occasional breathings and elision-marks, written on the *verso* of a second century document. 483 ν of εν above μ erased. 485 After την με a correction. 487 opposite this line in the margin κατ(ω?). Second or third century, written in good-sized upright uncials.
546. 5.6 x 8.4 cm. On the *recto* beginning of an early second century taxing-list. On the *verso* a few letters from the ends of vii. 237-244 and beginnings of 264-273 from the tops of two columns, with stops. 237 ἀδρο]κτοσias. 239 ζειν of πολεμιζειν above στην erased. 268 *s* above ν of δευτερον. 269 επιδεινωσης. 272 ασπιδι ενχριμ[φ]θεις. Second century, written in a semi-uncial hand.
547. 11.6 x 21.8 cm. Ends of vii. 324-336 and beginnings of 357-363 from the bottoms of two columns, with accents, &c. 330 δε above the line. 333 κατακειομεν. 359 δ corr. to δ'. Second or third century, written in medium-sized round uncials.
548. 16.7 x 8.8 cm. Part of a leaf from a book (numbered on the *recto* θ and on the *verso* ι) containing on the *recto* the earlier parts of ix. 235-268 and on the *verso* the latter parts of 269-301, with numerous accents, &c. 236 σφιν. 245 ε of ημειν corr. 246 First θ of φθισθαι above ε erased. εν. 249 μετ' όπισθ'. 253 Φθειγς. 254 κάρτος corr. from κρατος. 255 ε of κε above αι erased. 256 ε of ισχειν above the line. 259 επέτελλε corrected to επέτελλ' ο. 260 πάνεο. 264 First ν of ανύρους added above the line. *s* of τρίποδας corr.

- 268 ἐριτεῖμοιο. 270 Second *a* of ἀνέμονα above the line. 272 ἐν[[ε]]ίκων. 274 καὶ ἐπῖ. 276 ἦε γυναικων. 277 ἀντικα [[τα]]. 286 ρ of μεγάρω corr. and *i* adscript added above the line. 288 δ of ἀνάεδνον corr. 290 *i* of ἐῆ *i* added above the line. 291 *ε* of πολλέθρα corr. 293 Second *a* of ζαθέας corr. from *η*. 296 πολύρρηες. 297 Second *i* of δωτίνησι added later. τιμήσουσιν. Third century, written in medium-sized irregular uncials.
549. 9.3 × 10.8 cm. The middle parts of xi. 39–52 from the bottom of a column, with a few breathings, &c. 40 ἀμφιστεφεες. 41 Second φ of ἀμφιφαλον added above the line. 45 ἐκδουπῆσαν. 51 μετ. Late second or third century, written in medium-sized round upright uncials.
550. Fr. (b) 17.8 × 10.3 cm. Two fragments containing a few letters from the ends of xi. 505–516 and 521–547 and the earlier parts of 555–567 and 572–602, with stops and occasional accents, &c. 525 ἀνδρες for αὐτοί. 563 ὡς ρα τοι ἀμφ Αἰαντα (a new reading). 564 τηλεκλειτοι. 583 ἐλκεν with *i* added above the line between *ε* and *λ* by a second hand. 595 τηλε for στή δέ (a new reading). 600 εἰστηκε. 602 In the margin opposite this line a critical sign +. Second century, written in small neat round uncials. On the *verso* traces of some second or third century cursive writing.
551. 24.5 × 25.8 cm. Parts of two columns, of which the first is much mutilated and the second nearly complete, containing xiv. 227–253 and 256–283, with occasional stops. 232 ονομαζε. 247 ιομην. 249 ἐπενυσσεν. 254 μῆσαι. 259 [[δ]]μητειρα (μήτειρα is mentioned by Eustathius, but not found in the MSS.). 267 ιθι. 269 omitted. 271 ὁμοσον αατον. 272 πολυβοτειραν. 274 *s* (?) of εοντες above the line. 275 *v* of μιαν above the line. 276 om. τ'. 278 νο of ονομηνεν corr. 282 πρησσοντα, τα being added by a second hand (?) above *v*₈ erased. Second century, written in a medium-sized formal round uncial, the archaic form of Z (Ɀ) being employed and Ξ being formed by three distinct strokes.
552. 7.7 × 2.8 cm. A few letters from the ends of xvii. 80–94, with stops. Second century, written in medium-sized round upright uncials.
553. 14.1 × 2.5 cm. Fragment of a leaf from a book containing a few letters on the *recto* from the middles of xix. 97–117 and on the *verso* from the middles of 132–151, from the tops of two columns, with accents, &c. 114 λιπε. 134 is omitted. Third century, written in medium-sized sloping uncials.
554. 8.3 × 6.1 cm. Beginnings of xix. 251–259 from the bottom of a column, with stops and occasional accents, &c. 251 χερ[i]. Third century, written in medium-sized oval uncials.
555. 3.2 × 4 cm. Parts of xix. 417–421, with accents, &c. 418 *s* of φων]ήσαντος

added above the line. 419 σ of προσ[εφη] above the line. Third century, written in medium-sized rather irregular uncials.

556. 8.6 × 3.1 cm. A few letters from xx. 241-250 from the top of a column, with occasional stops, &c. Final ι of νομι[νη] added above the line. Second or third century, written in a careful upright hand of the oval type of uncials (cf. 28).

557. 6.6 × 6.2 cm. Beginnings of xxi. 372-382, with accents, &c., written on the *verso*, the *recto* being blank. Third century, written in good-sized uncials.

558. 13.5 × 12.6 cm. A few letters from the ends of xxii. 115-134 and from the beginnings of 143-160, from the tops of two columns, with numerous accents, &c. 118 ι of πολ[ις] corr. 121 was apparently omitted. 150 γευ[εται]. 156 τω πρ[ι]ν. Late second or third century, written in medium-sized round upright uncials. On the *verso* part of a third century letter beginning Πεκ[α]λλο[s] Σερ[ι]ν[ι]φ.

559. 11.8 × 12.6 cm. Latter portions of xxii. 1-18 and beginnings of 40-57, with numerous accents, &c., from the tops of two columns. Second century, written in small neat round uncials.

560. 5.8 × 18.6 cm. A few letters from the ends of xxiii. 775-785 and most of 834-847, with occasional accents, &c. 836 τ of εφ[α]ρ' corr. from θ. 847 υπ[ε]ρπ[ι]τ[α]ρο (a new reading) τοι δ' εβ[ο]ησαν. Third century, written in medium-sized sloping uncials.

561. 10 × 6.2 cm. On the *recto* beginnings of 3 lines in third century cursive. On the *verso* a few letters of xxiv. 282 and 286 and the beginnings of 318-331 from the top of a column, with numerous accents, &c. Late third or early fourth century, written in round upright uncials.

(b) *Odyssey*.

562. 12.2 × 7 cm. Latter portions of i. 131-145, with occasional accents, &c., from the top of a column. Third century, written in sloping uncials of the oval type.

563. 8.7 × 4.3 cm. Ends of i. 432-444, with occasional accents, &c., from the bottom of a column. At the end part of the title Οδυσσ[ε]ι[α]s. Second or early third century, written in small round uncials resembling 405.

564. 9.7 × 4.2 cm. Beginnings of ii. 315-327, with numerous accents and marks of quantity, &c. Second or third century, written in medium-sized irregular uncials.

565. 8.3 × 6.7 cm. Earlier portions of iv. 292-302, with numerous accents, &c.,

- from the top of a column. 292 $\alpha\iota\tau\alpha\gamma\lambda$. 297 $\alpha\iota\theta\upsilon\sigma\sigma\eta\iota$. Second or third century, written in large narrow uncials of the oval type.
566. 15.3×4.5 cm. A few letters from the middles of iv. 685-708, with occasional accents, &c., from the top of a column. Third century, written in medium-sized uncials of the oval type.
567. 6.9×2.7 cm. A few letters from the ends of iv. 757-765, with accents, &c. Third century, written in medium-sized sloping uncials of the oval type.
568. 14.3×8.1 cm. A few letters from the beginnings of xi. 1-20, with accents, &c., from the top of a column. In the left-hand margin the title of the roll $\text{Ὀδυσσεΐας} \mid \lambda \mu$. Third century, written in medium-sized sloping uncials of the oval type.
569. 8.2×12.2 cm. On the *recto* parts of 8 lines of an account (?) in second century cursive. On the *verso* parts of xi. 195-208, with occasional accents, &c. 207 $\tau\kappa\epsilon\lambda\lambda\omicron\nu\kappa\alpha\iota$. Second century, written in a small semi-uncial hand.
570. 11.4×11.8 cm. Parts of xiv. 50-72, 52-6 being nearly complete, the rest having lost the earlier portions, with occasional accents, &c. 54 $\mu\alpha\lambda\iota\sigma\tau\alpha\theta\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\iota\varsigma$. 65 $\alpha\epsilon\xi\epsilon\iota$. Second century, written in medium-sized round upright uncials.
571. 7.1×5.1 cm. A few letters from xvi. 1-8, with numerous accents, &c., from the top of a column. 1 $\kappa\lambda\iota\sigma\iota\eta\iota\varsigma$ Ὀδῖ[[σ]]σε[us]. Late first or second century, written in good-sized round upright uncials.
572. 28.9×12.2 cm. Parts of two columns containing a few letters from the ends of xviii. 1-35, and the earlier portions of 56-93, with considerable lacunae; numerous accents, &c. 2 ι adscript of $\mu\acute{\alpha}\rho\gamma\eta$ inserted by a second hand. Similarly in 56 Ιρωι . 58 $\epsilon\phi\alpha\tau'$. 65 $\text{Ε[υρυμα]χός τε και Αν[τ]ίνοος}$. 66 $\epsilon\phi\alpha\tau'$. 78 $\alpha\lambda\lceil$ (so apparently, not Αν[τ]ίνοος) 12 letters] $\epsilon\nu\epsilon\lceil\nu\iota\pi\epsilon\nu$. Third century, written in a small neat uncial hand of the oval type.
573. 15×7.8 cm. On the *recto* part of a document in third century cursive. On the *verso* beginnings of xix. 452-471, with accents, &c., from the bottom of a column. 456 Ὀδυσσεύης . 465 Παρνησσον . Third century, written in small sloping uncials of the oval type.
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VII. DESCRIPTIONS OF SECOND CENTURY DOCUMENTS

- 574.** 3.9 × 13.2 cm. On the *recto* part of a list of payments for taxes, &c., mentioning βαθμῶν ε (δραχμαὶ) ια (τετρώβολον), δεσμοφυλ(ακίας) (ὀβολός) χ(αλκοῦ) β, / σύ(μ)πα(ν) (δραχμαὶ) ια (πεντώβολον) [χ(αλκοῦ) β. μερισμοῦ πλινθεομένης ιε (έτους) Παμμέ(νους) Παραδί(σον) βαθμοῦ α Ἐρμαίου βαθμο(ῦ) α Δρόμ(ου) Θοήριδος . . . , τραπ(εξιτικοῦ?) ιε (έτους) Φαῶφι (ὀβολοὶ δύο), . . . ἱκῆς Σαραπάτος δούλου Ἀπολλωνίου Κλαυδίου Δημη[τρίου ἀναγρα]φομένου ἐπὶ Δρόμου Θοήριδος (δραχμῇ) α (τετρώβολον) (ἡμιωβέλιον), προσδ(ιαγραφόμενα) (ὀβολός). For πλινθεομένη, here connected with βαθμοί, see note on **502. 43**. *τραπεζιτικόν* is also new, and is perhaps a tax for the maintenance of the official bank; cf. **513. 37**, note. For δεσμοφυλακία cf. P. Fay. Towns **53** introd., and for the pig-tax **288**. Second century. 8 nearly complete lines. On the *verso* an extract from a narrative of the preservation of Eurypylus by Patroclus (cf. *Il.* xi. 575 sqq.). The text is Πάτροκλον μαθησόμενον τίς εἶη, ὃ δὲ ἐπικνῶς (l. ἐπιγνῶς) καὶ ἀπολυνόμενος τῆς παρατάξεως, Εὐρυπύλῳ συναντᾷ ὃν καὶ ὥς ἐκ τῆς πληγῆς ἔχοντος (l. -τα) ἀπαγαγὼν εἰς τὴν ἐκείνου σκηνὴν εἰλάται. τῆς ἡ. Ἀχιλλεὺς ἔπεμψεν is to be supplied at the beginning, probably from a previous column. Second century, written in a semi-uncial hand. 5 lines.
- 575.** 11.2 × 7.8 cm. Acknowledgement addressed by Hatres son of Kouphateus, Dionys(ius) son of Prometheus and a third person to Sarapion, stating that they owed him as a year's rent for 3 arourae 2 artabae of wheat, 2 of lentils and 2 of barley, in addition to 1 artaba of wheat and 1 of barley for seed (?), concluding with the signature of Hatres. Dated in the fourteenth year of Trajan, Phaophi (A.D. 110). Written in very corrupt Greek upon the *verso*, the *recto* containing only the title. Practically complete. 19 lines in all.
- 576.** 30.1 × 8.6 cm. On the *recto* a lease dated in the tenth year of Trajan, incomplete and much obliterated. On the *verso* a letter from Diogenes to Demetrous, nearly complete but obliterated in parts, the address being written on the *recto*. Early second century. 33 lines in all.
- 577.** 17.6 × 7.6 cm. Contract for the sale of $\frac{2}{3}$ of a πατρικὸν μέρος of a house

in the quarter Παμμένους Παραδίσου by Sarapion to Synistor and Zoilus. The formula follows the Ptolemaic style (cf. 99):—Date; ἐν Ὁξυρύνχων πόλει τῆς Θηβαίδος ἐπ' ἀγ[ορανόμων] . . . [ἐπ]ρίαντο . . . παρὰ Σαρα[πίω]νος . . . ἐν ἀ[γ]νιᾷ δέ[μ]μοιρον μέρος . . . καὶ αὐτόθεν ἀπέχειν τὸν Σαραπίωνα . . . τὰς συμπεφω-
νημένας ὑπὲρ τιμῆς . . . ἀργυρίου δραχμὰς διακοσίας ἐκ πλήρους χα[λ]κοῦ (τάλαντα)
ις, πωλεῖ καὶ [β]εβαιοῖ Σαραπίω[ν] τὸ δέμοιρον μέρος . . . ὃ καὶ παρέξεται καθαρὸν
ἀπὸ ἀπογραφῆς πάσης καὶ ἀπὸ γεωργ[ί]ας βασιλικῆς καὶ οὐσιακῆς καὶ παντὸς
εἶδους διὰ παντὸς ἐν ἀγνιᾷ τῇ αὐτῇ. Signatures of the buyers. The 200 silver
drachmae are converted into copper at the usual ratio of 450 : 1; cf.
P. Oxy. II. p. 187 and P. Tebt. I. p. 600. Dated in the second year of
Hadrian, Tubi (A.D. 118). Nearly complete. 35 lines.

578. 13.1 × 9.2 cm. Beginnings of 15 lines from an account of judicial proceedings mentioning Σεντιανὸς νομ[ι]κός and Φλαούιος Πρίαμος ὁ δικαιοδότης. Second century.

579. 4.8 × 10.7 cm. Beginning of a document addressed to Apolinarius, strategus (cf. 484. 2), and Hierax, basilico-grammateus, by Teos and Thonis, τῶν ἀπ' Ὁξυρύνχ(ων) πόλ(εως) ἱεροτεκτόνων Ἀθηνᾶς Θοή[ρι]δος? (cf. 483. 3, note). Written about A.D. 138. 6 lines.

580. 4.2 × 16.5 cm. Parts of two columns containing official returns giving the names of persons eligible for holding various offices, the opening sentence being lost. The first has . . . εἰς ἐπιτή[ρ]ησιν τῶν κατὰ (corr. from παρὰ) φυλα-
κὴν δεσμιῶν δίδωμι τὸν ὑπογεγραμμένο(ν) ὄντα εὐπορον καὶ [ἐπιτήρ]ειον . . . ; the
second . . . τοῖς προοῦσι (i.e. the persons addressed) εἰς ἐπιτήρησιν φόρου
φραγμοῦ Παεβύθεως δίδωμι τοὺς ὑπογεγραμμένους ὄντας κ.τ.λ. Second century.
11 lines in all.

581. 14.7 × 6.3 cm. Conclusion of a notification addressed to the agoranomi of Oxyrhynchus by (Caecilius) Clemens (cf. 241), asking them to register a sale of which the value was 10 talents 3000 drachmae. Cf. 241-2. Dated in the second year of Imp. Caes. Nerva Trajanus Aug. Germ., sixth intercalary day of Caesareus (Aug. 29 A.D. 99). 17 lines.

582. 10.6 × 14.6 cm. Letter from Demetrius to his brother Heraclides, beginning ἐπεμψά σοι διὰ Πετρίους δύο στατήρας καὶ ὀκτὼ ὀβολοὺς καὶ εἴκοσι
τυρία ἑξήτασα ἕνεκα τοῦ ἄλλου χαλκοῦ καὶ τοῦ συμβόλου. ἔμαθον Ὁρίωνα ἐσχη-
κέναι παρ' ἐμοῦ ὥστε σοὶ ἐν (δραχμαῖς) ις ὥστ[ε] εἰς διαγραφὴν καὶ λέγοντα δεδωκέναι
τῇ μεικρᾷ σὺν τῷ συμβόλῳ πρὸ πολλοῦ. Address on the verso. Second
century. Incomplete. 14 lines.

583. 13.6 × 19.8 cm. Will of a woman leaving her property in the first instance to her husband Plution, and in the second to his two sons who had been adopted by herself, with a legacy of 100 drachmae to his daughter. Cf.

- 489-93. Dated in the fourth year of Hadrian (A.D. 119-20). Incomplete, the ends of lines and most of the signatures being lost. 18 lines. Written across the fibres.
584. 11.6 × 7.9 cm. On the *recto* an ἀπογραφὴ of property at Pela addressed to Theon also called Ptolemaeus (cf. 75. 1) and Tryphon, βιβλιοφύλακες, by a woman in accordance with a decree of the praefect Flavius Titianus. Written about A.D. 129; cf. 75 and 481. introd. Incomplete, the end being lost and the ink much obliterated in parts. 18 lines. On the *verso* a similar ἀπογραφὴ addressed to the same βιβλιοφύλακες by Harthonis, concerning house-property at Oxyrhynchus. Written about A.D. 129. Nearly complete. 22 lines.
585. 12.6 × 9.3 cm. Conclusion of a horoscope, the date being lost except the hour of the day (the ninth). The sun and Mercury were in Aquarius, Saturn in Scorpio, Jupiter in Pisces, Mars in Sagittarius, Venus in Aries, the moon in Capricorn, ὠροσκόπος ἔσχατα Διδύμων. Second century. 9 lines.
586. 16 × 16.1 cm. Receipt for a month's ὀψώνιον addressed to Socrates by Nemesion ἐπικαλούμενος Ἀλκιμος, written in rude uncials. Dated in the sixteenth year of Imp. Caes. Nerva Trajanus Aug. Germ. DAC. (A.D. 112-3). Practically complete. 9 lines.
587. 18.8 × 8.3 cm. On the *recto* beginnings of the last 12 lines of a letter. On the *verso* ends of 14 lines of another letter, and on a narrow strip joined to this 22 lines of a third letter (beginning "Ὡρ(φ) τῷ σπονδαιωτάτῳ μου φίλῳ), nearly complete but having lost the end. Second century.
588. 24.5 × 11.5 cm. Two documents glued together, of which the first is part of an application to the βιβλιοφύλακες for leave to alienate or mortgage 2 arourae, which are declared upon oath to be free from all encumbrances (cf. 483. 18 sqq.). Dated in the eleventh year of Trajan, Phamenoth (A.D. 108). Incomplete. 37 lines. The second document consists of the beginnings of 30 lines of a contract for the παραχώρησις of 2 arourae of catoeic land, similar to 504. On the *verso* Φαμε(νὸθ) α.
589. 6.2 × 11 cm. Beginning of a letter, written in a good-sized uncial hand of the second century. The text is Πομπώνιος Σεπτίμιανὸς Ἀπίωνι ἐπισκέπτῃ τῶν παρὰ ποταμὸν ἑδαφῶν (a new title) τῷ φιλάτῳ χαίρειν. ἦν ἐπεμψας ἐπίσκεψιν κωμ[ῶν] τινων... Address on the *verso*. 7 lines.
590. 16.3 × 7.5 cm. Conclusion of a lease with most of the signatures of the lessees. The land was leased for three years at the annual rent of 36 drachmae, 3 artabae of wheat and 6 of barley, and $\frac{1}{2}$ artaba of barley for προστακόν. Dated in the sixteenth year of Trajan, Athur (A.D. 112). 27 lines.

591. 4.5 × 10.5 cm. Full name of Hermias son of Spartas. Second century. Complete. 3 lines.
592. 5.1 × 21.5 cm. Beginning of a petition to Sarapion, *γενομένη πρυτανικῶ ἄρχοντι* ἱερεῖ καὶ ἀρχιδικαστῇ καὶ πρὸς τῇ ἐπιμελείᾳ τῶν χρηματιστῶν καὶ τῶν ἄλλων κριτηρίων, from Heraïs, referring to a dispute with Marcus Antonius Asclepiades about an ἀσφάλεια for a sum of money. Above the petition is the last line, τοῦ δεδ[ομένου ὑπομνήματος . . .], of an official letter (probably to the strategus) covering the petition, which thus formed part of a series of documents arranged as in 485; cf. especially ll. 5 sqq. Dated in the seventh year of Hadrian (A.D. 122-3). 10 lines. On the *verso* 6 incomplete lines from a list of names.
593. 15.1 × 8.5 cm. Lease of 2 arourae at Νεικοστράτου ἐποίκιον ἐκ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου καὶ Φιλίσκου κλήρου from Thrasyllous to Sarapion for four years and four inundations (βροχαί) at an annual rent of 8 artabae of wheat and 32 drachmae, the land to be cultivated with any crop χωρὶς ἰσάτρεως καὶ ὀχομενείου (cf. 101. 12). Title on the *verso*. Written in the thirteenth year of Aurelius Antoninus (A.D. 172-3). Incomplete, the end being lost. 29 lines.
594. 7.2 × 15.3 cm. Conclusion of a petition mentioning the praefect Semprounis Liberalis (Λιβελάριος). Dated in the twenty-second year (of Antoninus), Tubi (A.D. 159). 6 incomplete lines.
595. 5.3 × 11.6 cm. Beginning of a monthly return of receipts (μηνιαίος σιτικῶν) by the sitologi μέσης τοπ(άρχ)ας Πέτνη τόπων). Written in the nineteenth year of Antoninus (A.D. 156). 4 lines.
596. 6.3 × 12.9 cm. Horoscopes of two persons. The first was born in the thirteenth year of Antoninus Μεχέρ η εἰς θ ὥρας ε νυκτός; the sun, Mercury and Venus were in Capricorn, the moon in Pisces, Saturn and Jupiter in Aries, Mars in Sagittarius, ὠροσκόπος in Libra. The second was born in the second year of Antoninus Φαμ[ενῶθ] λ εἰς α ὥρας δ νυκτός, the sun being in Pisces, the moon in Gemini, Saturn and Mercury in Aquarius, Mars and Venus in Taurus. Written about A.D. 150. Nearly complete. 17 lines.
597. 12.8 × 6 cm. Letter to Macer, strategus of the division of Heraclides in the Arsinoite nome, from a πράκτωρ ἀργυρικῶν [τιν]ων κωμῶν, continuing ἀπὸ τῶν [. . . .] εἰς ἀρ[ί]θ(ησιω) Φαμε(νῶθ) συναγο(μένων) [παρὰ τῶν?] Ῥωμαίων καὶ ἀνεπικρίτων [. . . .] δηλῶ τὰς τῶν ἐπικρίσεων [. . . .] . ἡμῶν ἀπὸ (δραχμῶν) Ἀγβ (δβολοῦ) (ἡμιωβελίου) [. . . .] Ἄλη, ιθ (ἔτους) ὁμοίως [. . . .] / (δραχμαὶ) Ἡβ (δβολός). Second century. 10 lines, of which the beginnings are lost.
598. 9.4 × 14.2 cm. Beginning of a letter, which was left unfinished, from Andronicus to his father Statilius Phantias. Second century, written in irregular uncials. 5 lines.

599. 5.1 × 13.4 cm. A short letter written across the fibres:—Πτολεμαίωι τῷ Κανοπίτῃ τῷ φίλῳι. μηδὲν λέγε περὶ οὗ ὀφείλεις μου λογαρίδῳ τῶν ὑλιστρίων ἕως δώσης αὐτῷ (l. αὐτό). Late first or second century. Complete. 3 lines.
600. 22.2 × 14.5. P. Cairo 10004. On the *recto* parts of two columns giving measurements of land and buildings. Early second century. Incomplete and much effaced. On the *verso* a similar document. Dated in the sixteenth year of Hadrian (A.D. 132). Complete. 18 lines, partly obliterated.
601. 17.7 × 11.8. P. Cairo 10005. Letter addressed to the agoranomi of Oxyrhynchus by an official (cf. 106-7), stating that Harpocras had received back from the public archives the will which he had made four years before. Dated in the nineteenth year of Trajan, Epeiph (A.D. 117). Nearly complete, but broken at the top. 13 lines.
602. 22.8 × 13.9. P. Cairo 10010. Letter from Dionysius to Heraclides, γραμματεὺς στρατηγοῦ Ὀάσεως Θηβαΐδος, stating that he would procure a boat (πλοῖον), and inviting him to come and stay until the boat (πλοιαρίδιον) was found. Address on the *verso*. Second century. Complete. 11 lines.
603. 18.5 × 18.5 cm. Marriage-contract, in which the husband (who speaks in the first person) acknowledges the receipt of the dowry and παράφερνα, and promises not to alienate his house-property without his wife's consent (cf. 496. 7-8). In the event of a divorce the παράφερνα were to be repaid immediately and the dowry in sixty days, with an extra allowance if the wife was ἔγκυος (cf. 496. 10). Written in a semi-uncial hand in the sole reign of Marcus Aurelius (A.D. 169-176). Incomplete, the earlier portions of lines being lost throughout, besides other lacunae. 39 lines.
604. 8.1 × 13.7 cm. Parts of 13 lines from the beginning of a marriage-contract, written (across the fibres) ἐπὶ Ἰουλίας Σεβαστῆς. Early second century.
605. 17 × 9.8 cm. Part of the conclusion of a marriage-contract with the signatures. Late first or early second century. 21 incomplete lines.
606. Height 3.5 cm. Parts of 8 lines from a marriage-contract, written across the fibres. On the *verso* parts of 2 lines of the title. Late first or early second century.
607. 16.8 × 9 cm. Parts of 11 lines from the conclusion of a marriage-contract, another column having probably preceded. Written in a good-sized round uncial hand in the fourteenth year of an emperor, probably Trajan (i.e. A.D. 110-1).
608. 23 × 11.8 cm. Letter from Horion to his sister Ταϋκουον (?) Address on the *verso*. Second century. Nearly complete, but much obliterated in parts. 25 lines.

609. 6 × 7.3 cm. An order for payment :—Δέξαι παρὰ Σαραπίω(νος) το(ῦ) Ἀπολλω(νίου) δραχμὰ(ς) ἐξήκοντα ἀφ' ὧν τὸ ἐπιδέκατο(ν) (sc. διάστειλον ? ; cf. 610). Second century. Complete. 4 lines.
610. 4.6 × 7.4 cm. Another order for payment in the same hand as 609 :—Δέξαι παρὰ Διδύμου τοῦ Σαραπίω(νος) (δραχμὰς) ριβ, τὴν δὲ σπονδὴ(ν) χάρισαι, τ[ὸ δὲ ? ἐ]πιδέκατο(ν) διάστειλο(ν). Second century. Complete. 4 lines.
611. 15.1 × 6.7 cm. An official order, written in very bad Greek. The text is Πρὸς ὑπόμνησιν δέξαι τὰ βιβλία παρὰ Ἀπολλωνίου ἐσφραγισμ(ένα) τὰ σύμβολ[λ]α πρόσελθε Ἀγαθοκλεῖ ἔχων αὐτοῦ σύμβολα [μετρ] τῷ τοῦ μετρεᾶ Σαραπάμμωνι χάριν τοῦ τετάρτου πρῶτον διαστειλάτω Σαραπάμμων πρὸ τουν (l. οὗ ἂν) Ἀγαθοκλῆς διαστείλῃ. Second century. Complete. 13 lines.
612. 9.3 × 12.1 cm. Receipt issued by the sitologi of the eastern toparchy Ταμπ(εῖ) τόπων for 15½ artabae of wheat μέ(τρω) ξυστῶ καταλ() paid by Ptolemais ; cf. 89, 90, 287 and 517-8. Dated in the reign of Trajan, who has the title Dacicus (A.D. 103-117). Incomplete, the beginnings of lines being lost. 7 lines.
613. 6.4 × 12 cm. Receipt for 1 artaba of wheat paid out from the deposit of Diogas, with the signature of the recipient. The text is Διεστ(άλη) (πυροῦ) γενήμ(ατος) ιη (ἔτους) Ἀντωνίου Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου δι(ὰ) σιτολ(όγων) ἄνω τοπαρχ(ίας) Μονίμ(ου) τόπ(ων) Διογᾶς Ἀμόιτ(ος) λοιπ(ὸν) θέμ(α) (ἀρτάβη) α. (2nd hand) Φιλόξενος ὁ καὶ Φιλίσκος Διονυσίου ἐπήμει[γ]κα καὶ διάστυλόν μοι τὴν ἐπ' ὀνόματος Διογᾶτος Ἀμόιτ(ος). Cf. 516. Written about A.D. 155. Complete. 6 lines.
614. 10.9 × 7.8 cm. Receipt for 30 artabae of wheat paid out by sitologi to Asclepiades from the deposit of Heraclides. The text is Διεστ(άλησαν) (πυροῦ) γενήμ(ατος) τοῦ διελ(θόντος) ιθ (ἔτους) Αὐρηλίων Ἀντωνίου καὶ Κ[ο]μμοδου Καيسάρων τῶν κυρίων δι(ὰ) σιτολόγων ἄνω τοπ(αρχίας) Θώσβεως τόπων ἀπὸ θέμ(ατος) Ἡρακλείδου Ἰσιδώρου Ἀσκληπιάδῃ τῷ καὶ Εὐδαίμονι δι(ὰ) Θεοδώρου τοῦ καὶ Ἀμμωνίου θέμ(ατος) (ἀρτάβαι) λ, / ἀρτάβ(αι) τριάκοντα. Ἐπίμαχος βοη(θός) σεση(μειώμαι). κόλ(λημα) θ. Written in A.D. 179-80. Complete. 13 lines.
615. 7.2 × 16 cm. Receipt, similar to 614, for 65 artabae paid out by the sitologi of the eastern toparchy. Written in A.D. 179-80. Nearly complete. 5 lines.
616. 11.9 × 11.3 cm. Receipt, similar to 614, for various amounts of wheat, making 7½ artabae 8 choenices in all, paid out by sitologi to Ammonius, with the signatures of two persons not previously mentioned (sitologi?) authorizing the payment (διάστειλον). Written about A.D. 162. Incomplete. 14 lines. Written on the *verso*, the *recto* being blank.

617. 14.8 × 7.4 cm. Receipt for $6\frac{3}{4}$ artabae of wheat paid (διδεστ(άλη) εἰς τὸ δημόσιον) ἀπὸ θέμ(ατος) Διονυ(σίου). Cf. 517-8. Written in A.D. 134-5. Complete. 7 lines.
618. 8.4 × 5 cm. Similar receipt for 28 artabae. Written in A.D. 179-80. Incomplete, having lost the beginnings of lines. 8 lines.
619. 20 × 17.3 cm. Authorization, similar to 516, addressed to the sitologi Σκῶ τόπ(ων) by Sarapion, for the payment of various amounts of wheat to different persons. Cf. 516. introd. Written about A.D. 147. Complete. 15 lines.
620. 9.8 × 7.9 cm. Similar authorization addressed to the sitologi ἄνω τοπαρχίας Σκῶ (?) τόπων by Dionysius for the payment of $12\frac{3}{4}$ artabae to Epimachus through Demetrius also called Theon, concluding with the latter's signature Δημήτριος ὁ καὶ Θέω(ν) ἐπὶ ηγεγκ(α) καὶ ἔστιν αὐτοῦ τὰ προγεγραμ(μένα). Dated in the eleventh year of Antoninus, Thoth (A.D. 147). Practically complete. 20 lines.
621. 8.4 × 10.2 cm. Similar authorization issued by Dionysia to the sitologi Τααμπέμου (sc. τόπων) for the payment of 2 artabae. Written across the fibres in A.D. 163-4. Nearly complete. 12 lines.
622. 14.4 × 7.4 cm. Similar authorization issued by Dionysius and Apollonius for the payment of 60 artabae in all. Dated in the second year of M. Aurelius and Verus, Athur (A.D. 161). Nearly complete. 19 lines.
623. 10.6 × 7.6 cm. Similar authorization issued by Dorion, Σωσικκόσμιος ὁ καὶ [Εἰλ]εῖθνιος, for payments to Amois and Thoteous. Written about A.D. 146. Nearly complete. 14 lines.
624. 10.7 × 5.5 cm. Similar authorization issued by Isidora for the payment of 11 artabae 8 choenices to Heraïs. Dated in the twelfth year of Antoninus, Thoth (A.D. 148). Nearly complete. 15 lines.
625. 9.1 × 11.7 cm. Similar authorization issued by Theon, Εἰρηνοφυλάκιος ὁ καὶ Ἀλθα[ί]ε[υ]ς, to the sitologi μέσης τοπαρχίας Κερκευρώσεως τόπων for the payment of $3\frac{3}{8}$ artabae to Hephaestion. Dated in the twenty-second year of Hadrian, Phaophi (A.D. 137). Complete. 10 lines.
626. 8 × 7.6 cm. Similar authorization issued by Heraclides to the sitologi of the eastern toparchy Τααμπέ(μ)ου (cf. 621) for the payment of 5 artabae to Zoilus. Written in A.D. 166-7. Nearly complete. 11 lines.
627. 10 × 8.1 cm. Similar authorization issued by Alexandrus for the payment of 50 artabae. Dated in the twelfth year of Antoninus, Phaophi (A.D. 148). Practically complete. 9 lines.
628. 9.4 × 11.1 cm. Similar authorization issued by Diogenes and Chaeremon for the payment of 32 artabae to Andronicus. Dated in the twenty-second

year of Antoninus, sixth intercalary day of Mesore (Aug. 29, A.D. 159). Practically complete. 7 lines.

629. 13.2×7.7 cm. Similar authorization issued by Idomeneus for the payment of $1\frac{1}{2}$ artabae in all. Dated in the twenty-third year of Antoninus (A.D. 159-60). Written across the fibres. Incomplete. 18 lines.
630. 11×13.3 cm. Similar authorization addressed to the sitologi Θάλλεως μέσης (sc. τοπαρχίας) by Achilleus for various payments. Written about A.D. 161. Practically complete. 13 lines.
631. 11.8×5.7 cm. Similar authorization addressed to the sitologi of the middle toparchy Κερκεύρων καὶ Πέτνη τόπων by Alexandrus for the payment of 20 artabae to Theon. Dated in the twenty-second year of Antoninus, Thoth (A.D. 158). Complete. 12 lines.
632. 8.6×11.2 cm. Similar authorization addressed to the sitologi Σεπτῶ τόπ(ων) by Chaeremon for the payment of 2 artabae to Apollonia. Dated in the twenty-third year of Antoninus, Phaophi (A.D. 159). Nearly complete. 8 lines.
633. 11.7×10.8 cm. Fragment from the conclusion of a contract for the sale (παραχώρησις) of $1\frac{1}{3}\frac{7}{8}$ arourae ($1\frac{1}{3}\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{8}$, being the half of $2\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{3}\frac{1}{8}$) of catoecic land at Μονίμου ἐποίκιον ἐκ τοῦ Νικάνδρου καὶ ἄλλων κλήρου for 900 silver drachmae to Demetrous, who was under age, through her father, with most of the signatures. Cf. 504. The land was to be delivered free ἀπὸ γεωργίας βασιλικῆς [καὶ οὐ]σιακῆς καὶ ἱερᾶς καὶ ἐτέρου τινὸς εἶδους; cf. 508. 37, note. Early second century. 25 lines.
634. 23.8×20.4 cm. Will of Aunchis daughter of Isas. The testatrix bequeaths her house-property, &c., to her husband Abascantus, giving to Tycharous, the slave of Diogenes, for her lifetime the right to live in the house and probably a sum of money. If Tycharous was freed within a year from the death of the testatrix, Abascantus had to give her 500 drachmae more. If she was freed after that date or not freed at all, other provisions were made. There follow (1) the signatures of Aunchis and the usual six witnesses, the seal of the sixth witness being προνομή Ἐνκανώπου (cf. 494. 31, note), (2) the docket of the μνημονεῖον, (3) the date and title; cf. 489. Dated in the eleventh year of Hadrian, Neos Sebastos (A.D. 126). Incomplete, the latter halves of lines being lost, besides other lacunae. 30 lines. Written across the fibres.
635. 14.5×14.5 cm. Parts of 28 lines of a petition ὑπὸ Σάνκτῳ ἐπάρχῳ Αἰγύπτου by Ammonius and others, beginning . . . ἐπεδῶκαμεν Πακτουμηλῖ Μάγνῳ τῷ ἡγεμονεύσαντι βιβλειδίον καὶ ἐτύχομεν . . . A date in the joint reign of Marcus Aurelius and Commodus (probably the date of the petition itself)

is mentioned in ll. 8-9. A copy of the previous petition referred to follows in ll. 12 sqq. τὸ ἀντίγραφον τὸ ὑποτεταγμένον. ἔστι δὲ Τίτῳ Πακτουμήῳ Μάγνῳ. . . It is clear from these indications that Sanctus entered office at some period later than March 28 A.D. 177, when it is known from B. G. U. 525 that T. Pactumcius Magnus was praefect, but prior to the death of M. Aurelius in March A.D. 180. His successor was very likely the Flavius Priscus (?) mentioned in B. G. U. 12; cf. P. Meyer, *Beiträge zur alten Geschichte* I. pp. 477-8.

- 636.** 10.5 x 8.8 cm. Supplementary return of property addressed to Sarapion and Sarapiades, βιβλιοφύλακες, by Ptollis; cf. **72** and **481**. The formula is προσπογράφομαι . . . δίκαιον τρίτου μέρους οἰκίας . . . μεταπεπτωκότῳ[ν] εἰς αὐτὴν (sc. the writer's wife) . . . ἀπὸ ἐκπροθέσμον δανείου. The first and sixth years of Trajan are mentioned, and the return was probably made in A.D. 109; cf. **481**, introd. and **483**. 32. Incomplete, the end being lost. 24 lines.
- 637.** 12 x 7.5 cm. Return of property, similar to **481**. The formula is ἀπογράφομαι οὕτως κατὰ τὰ προστεταγμένα τὸ κατηντηκὸς εἰς με ἐξ ὀνόματος τοῦ πατρὸς . . . μὴ ἀπογραφασμένον, ἀκολουθῶς ἢ πεποίηται περὶ καταλείψεως ὁμολογία διὰ γραφίου Ταλαῶ . . . The twelfth year of Trajan is mentioned and the return was probably made in A.D. 109. Incomplete, the beginning and end being lost. 21 lines.
- 638.** 11.2 x 7.7 cm. Conclusion of a declaration apparently similar to **75**, the best preserved portion relating to the terms upon which the property was inherited; cf. **75**. 29 sqq. ἀποδοῦναι . . . τὸν προεγγραμμένον μου ἀδελφὸν . . . δραχμὰς εἴκοσι καὶ ἐνοικεῖν τὴν μητέρα ἡμῶν σὺν ἡμῖν ἐν μιᾷ τῶν προεγγραμμένων οἰκιῶν οἰκίᾳ ἐπὶ τὸν τῆς ζωῆς αὐτῆς χρόνον ἐφ' ὃν καὶ διατρέφειν ἡμᾶς αὐτήν. καὶ ὁμνύω κ.τ.λ. Dated in the sixteenth year of Trajan, Athur (A.D. 112). 30 lines, much obliterated.
- 639.** 19.8 x 11 cm. Lease of an ἑλαιωνοπαράδεισος [ἐν] ᾧ φύνεικες καὶ ἕτερα ἀγρόδρνα (l. φοίνικες . . . ἀκρόδρνα) at Psobthis in the middle toparchy by Sarapion and Exacon and their mother Caecilia Polla (cf. **506**. 3-4) to Horus, a Persian of the Epigone, for three years from Tubi of the seventh year of Trajan, the annual rent being 160 drachmae, paid half in Athur and half in Choiak, and 3 artabae ἐκλεκτῆς . . . Written in the seventh year of Trajan (A.D. 103-4). Incomplete. 40 lines.
- 640.** 12.1 x 11.6 cm. Conclusion of a lease of land, ending τῆς δὲ μισθώσεως βεβαιονμένης μετρίτω ὃ μεμισθωμένος ὑπὲρ τοῦ μεμισθωκότῳ(ος) εἰς τὸ δη(μόσιοι) τὸ κατ' ἔτος ἀπότακ[τ]ον καὶ ἀπὸ τῶν προκειμένων τῆς προχρήσεως πυροῦ ἀρτάβας δέκα ὀκτῶι τῷ μὲν ἐνεστώτι ἔτει ἀρτάβας πέντε τῷ δὲ ἰσινύτι ἔτει ἀρτάβας δέκα τρεῖς, ὧν πάντων κατ' ἔτος δώσει τῷ μεμισθωκότῳ τὸ θέμα καθαρὸν ἀπὸ πάσης δαπάνης ἢ

ἀποτισάτω ὁ ἐὰν π[ρ]οσοφειλέσῃ μεθ' ἡμιολίας, καὶ ἡ πρᾶξις κ.τ.λ. Dated in the fifth year of Hadrian (A. D. 120-1). 23 lines.

641. 26.1 × 7.6 cm. Notice from Dio[nysius] (cf. 346) to the agoranomi concerning the cession (?) of 5 arourae of catocic land; cf. 47-8. Dated in the fourth year of Trajan, Neos Sebastos (A. D. 100). Incomplete, being in two fragments of which the first has only the beginnings of lines. 25 lines in all.
642. 20.7 × 14.3 cm. Conclusion of a letter from Anoubion son of Julius, γενόμενος γραμματεὺς διοικήσεως, to a high official, ending καὶ ἡμεῖς γ[ὺ]ν ἀπολαύσωμεν τῷ χρηστῷ ὑμῶν ἦθει, πρὸ παντὸς γὰρ πεφροντίκαμεν τῆς πρὸς ὑμᾶς καὶ τοὺς ὁμοίους ὑμῶν ἀγαθοὺς εὐνοίας καὶ ἀρετῆς ἢ τῶν ἄλλων ἀπάντων. ἔρρωσο, κύριε. Second century, written in a large semi-uncial hand. 12 lines.
643. 9.3 × 14.8 cm. Upper portions of two columns of an account of payments for various purposes, the silver drachmae and copper obols being kept distinct. ναυλωτικῆς (δραχμαὶ) η (or π?) occurs. Second century. 13 lines in all.
644. 23.2 × 19.7 cm. Letter from Dionysas to his sister Nice, asking her to send him a letter ἐπὶ τὸ Βουκεφάλι(ο)ν, &c., written in rude uncials. Second century. Incomplete. 24 lines.
645. Fr. (a) 12.4 × 9.6 cm. Two fragments, containing the latter portions of lines of two letters, the first (8 lines) to the writer's sister, the second, which is much longer, to his brother Enthesmus with reference to farming operations, &c.
646. 22 × 18 cm. Will of Plution son of Ischyron, written in the reign of Hadrian (A. D. 117-138). The testator bequeaths his house-property, &c., to his sons, of whom one was ἐνῆλιξ, another ἀφήλιξ, in equal portions, except . . . [ς] ξυλλῆς μεγάλης καὶ κλείνης ἀκανθῆς σὺν χαλαδρίῳ καὶ ἰστοῦ γερδιακοῦ . . . καὶ δέφρον [τετρ]απόδου καὶ κουρικοῦ ξυλλίνου ἃ ἔσται καὶ ἔκτακτον τοῦ . . . ἀφήλικος, and there are other legacies to his wife Sarapous and to the nurse of his children. At the end are the signatures of the testator and six witnesses, two of whose seals are Δι[σ]ς and Ἀρπ[ο]υκράτου respectively, docket and title; cf. 489-495. Written across the fibres. Incomplete, having lost the beginnings and ends of lines. 33 lines.
647. 15.2 × 8.4 cm. Beginnings of lines of the will of a woman, dated in the eighth year of an emperor. Early second century. 18 lines, the writing being across the fibres.
648. 28 × 8.6 cm. Fragment of the will of Sarapion, written in the reign of Hadrian (A. D. 117-138). The village (?) of Ψαλβῶ is mentioned. Parts of 43 lines, written across the fibres.
649. 26.2 × 15.1 cm. Latter portions of lines of the will of Heracles son of

ἐκέλευσεν αὐτὰ παρῆναι.” Μαικιανὸς εἶπεν· “σὺ τὸ [δάνιον λ]άβε καὶ περὶ τῶν λοιπῶν μὴ φρόντιζε.” Ἰσιδῶρος εἶπεν· “καὶ τοὺς τόκους ἀποδότω.” Μαικιανὸς εἶπεν· “[σὺ τα]ύτας καρπ[οῦ].” Ἰσιδῶρου λέγοντος μὴ κεκαρπῶσθαι, Μαικιανὸς εἶπεν· “σὺ ἐνεβάδευσας. εἴτε οὖν πάρεισιν οἱ ἀντίδικ[οι] εἴτε μὴ πάρεισι, δικαστὴν λήμψονται ὅς παρακολουθῶν τῇ Ὀνοράτου κρίσει τὴν Κανωπίτιν ἐξετάσει ἵνα μήτε ὁ δανιστῇ[ς καρπ]ωθῇ μήτε ὁ χρεώστης, μηδέτερος δὲ ἐν κέρδει γένηται.” Ὀρεστίνου πάλιν λέγοντος μὴ εἶναι παρ’ ἑαυτῷ τὰ ὑπάρχοντ[α], Μαικ[ι]ανὸς εἶπεν· “θέ[λ]ων καὶ μὴ θέλων ἀποκαταστήσεις αὐτῷ. ὅπερ ἔαν μὴ ποιήσης οὐ μόνον κατακριθήσῃ ἀλλὰ καὶ δαρήσῃ . . .] μόν[ο]ν εἰ τις δὲ ἄλλοι ἐνόχους ἑαυτοῖς νομίζουσιν εἶναι τὰς ὑποθήκας αὐτοῦ ὄψονται 24 letters [δι]καστὴν λαβεῖν.” Κρηπέινου λέγοντος “ὃν ἔαν σὺ δῶς,” Μαικιανὸς εἶπεν· “ὁ χιλίαρχος ὃν μεταπέμπειν δικα[ιο]ῖμεν.” The remains of the date show that the trial took place before the end of the reign of Antoninus Pius, and the praefecture of L. Volusius Maecianus, which has been the subject of much dispute (cf. P. Meyer, *Hermes* xxxiii. p. 262 and Stein, *Oesterr. Jahreshefte* ii, *Beiblatt* Col. 107 and *ibid.* iii, Col. 222), therefore began before May A.D. 161. The supposed praefecture of Postumus (B. G. U. 388) in A.D. 161 may now be finally dismissed (cf. P. Meyer in *Beiträge zur alten Geschichte* I. p. 478), but some doubt is thrown upon the date assigned by De Ricci (*Proc. Soc. Bibl. Arch.* 1902 p. 65) and P. Meyer (l. c.) to the praefecture of T. Furius Victorinus, since the praefecture of L. Volusius Maecianus may occupy the whole period between the praefectures of M. Sempronius Liberalis and M. Annius Syriacus. 29 lines.

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